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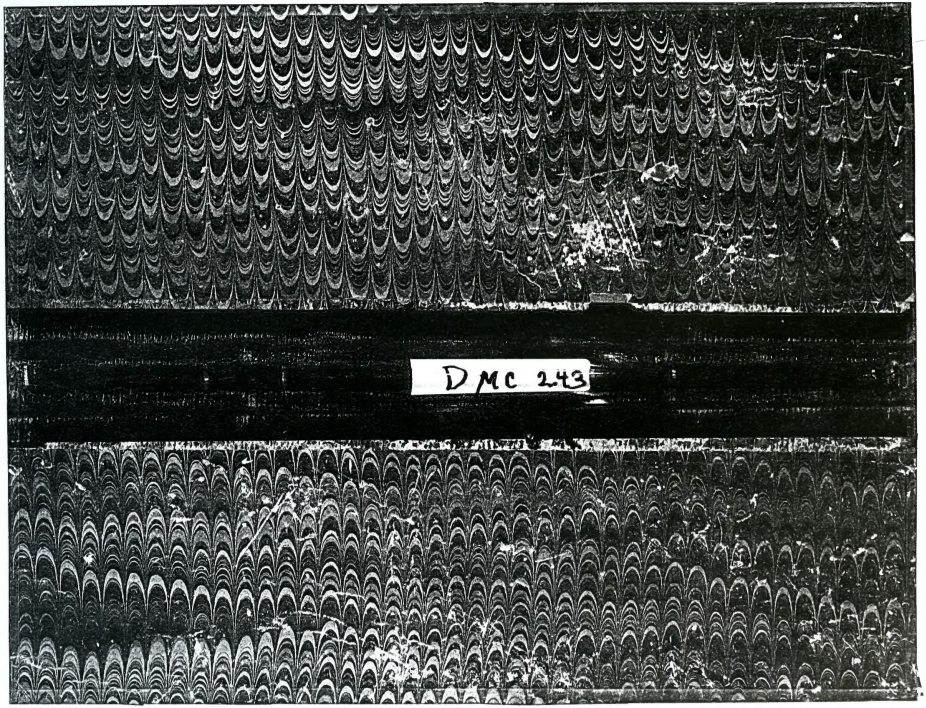
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Minutes of Mill Creek Monthly Meeting
of Women Friends

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at Summit Grove 4th Month 28th 1877.

In thus coming together our minds have been humbled in consideration of our situation, feeling bound as we do to bear our testimony against the many innovations upon the former teaching and practice of our beloved Society, causing a necessity as we apprehend to retire from that part of the Meeting, who have given encouragement to those things. We formal reading of the Scripture, Silent prayers, and singing of hymns, are advocated and introduced into our meetings for Divine Worship. Thus we will be led back into that system of forms and outward ceremonies, out of which George Fox and his fellow laborers were called, and against which they bore a faithful testimony; With a desire that we may more fully carry out and uphold the principles and practices which were acknowledged at the first organization of this Monthly Meeting

Ruth Hadley was appointed clerk for the day and Mary Ann Jones for assistant.

The queries were all read in this meeting with corresponding answers thereto, of which answers the following is a Summary, which being approved, was directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting.

Summary Answers.

1st Ans All our meetings for worship and discipline have

been attended. except two meetings for worship were missed

on account of inclement weather, Unbecoming behavior guarded against, The hour of meeting pretty well observed.

2nd Ans Most friends appear to be preserved in christian love one toward another, tale bearing and detraction discouraged, but not all together, avoided, No apparent differences that we know of.

3rd Ans Most friends appear careful on the several heads of this query, Yet a very great deficiency exists in regard to simplicity of dress and address.

4th Ans Friends are clear as far as appears of importing, vending distilling and the unnecessary use of all intoxicating liquors and attending Circus Shows; But as clear of attending other places of diversion as desired, a pretty good degree of temperence & moderation is observed, Some care taken.

5th Ans Friends have been careful under the several heads of that query, and some relief afforded.

6th Ans Friends are clear as far as appears under the several heads of this query, except our testimony on bearing arms is not fully maintained.

7th Ans Friends appear to be careful under the several heads of this query, some care taken.

8th Ans Friends are careful to comply with the requirements

of this query.

Annual Answers

1st Ans One Meeting for Worship and preparative by the Name of Hadley.

2nd Ans The requirements of this query is complied with as far as appears.

3rd Ans They are.

The advices were read and considered.

R Jane W. Shaw Elmina Hersey Ruth Hadley and Mary Ann Jones are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting as representatives, and report to next Meeting.

R Lydia Beales and Mary M. Frazier are appointed care takers to attend the Quarterly Meeting, and assist in promoting the good order there of and report to next Meeting.

R Mary Moon, Mary Williamson, Hannah Jane Hodson and Lydia Beales, are appointed to bring forward to next Meeting the names of friends to serve for overseers to this Meeting.

The following named friends are appointed to unite with a similar committee of mens Meeting to have the care of burials (ie) Mary Ann Jones Ruth Hadley Elmira Hersey Hannah Jane Hodson Asenath Osborn Katherine Stanley and Jane W. Shaw.

The sum of $2. 00 was raised

to increase the Yearly Meeting Stock, and 35 sets for books and Tracts, which was directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting.

Spring Meeting requests the privilege of holding their Meeting for Worship on first & fourth days at 3 O'clock in the after noon. Also the preparative at the close of Meeting for worship on fourth day preceeding the last Seventh day in each month except Yearly Meeting week. which was directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting.

The following named friends are appointed to bring forward to next Meeting the name of a friend for Clerk and one for assistant to this Meeting the ensuing year (viz) Elmina Hersey Mary Moon Susanna Carter & Hannah Jane Hodson.

The Meeting concluded to meet at this place at the usual time Next Month.

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at Summit Grove 2d Month 25th 1847.

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting as representatives report they all attended.

Those appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting as care-takers report they attended.

The friends appointed at last meeting to bring forward to this the names of friends to serve for overseers to this Meeting, proposed the following (viz) Sophia Wesner.

Martha S Carter Mary M Braizer Elmina Hersey

Hannah Jane Hodson and Hannah Newman, who being united with are appointed to that service, except Hannah Newman being absent her appointment is refered to next Meeting.

R The following named friends are appointed to unite with a similar committee of mens Meeting to assist the clerks in making out a Suitable introductory minute to be placed on our records & produce it to next Meeting (to) Mary Moon, Jane W Shaw, Sydia Hale, and Elmina Hersey.

R Sophia Weesner Mary M Braizer Mary Williamson Mary W Carter Minerva Kendall and Phebe Newman are appointed in conjunction with men friends to bring forward to next Meeting the names of friends to constitute a committee on the subject of the poor.

The following Extract is received from the Decarterly Meeting; and the clerk is directed to sign a Suitable extract to forward to Spring preparative Meeting,

At Plainfield Decarterly Meeting of Friends held 8th Month 4th 1877.

By the reports from Mill Creek Monthly Meeting it appears that friends of Spring Meeting request that the time of holding their Meeting for worship on first & fourth days be changed to 3 Oclock PM instead of the hour heretofore observed, Which was satisfactory to this Meeting, and the change was made accordingly

Taken from the Minutes of the Meeting

Albert Meigswell

Eunice W. Palmer Clerk for the day.

The friends appointed at last Meeting to bring forward to this the name of a friend, to serve this Meeting as clerk the ensuing year. Also one for assistant, proposed Ruth Bradley for clerk, and Ella Carter for assistant, Who being united with are appointed to that service.

At 10th Month next The following extract is from the Quarterly Meeting, directing the Monthly Meetings to raise money to increase the Quarterly Meeting Stock and forward the same to next Meeting, the clerk is directed to furnish the preparatives with a copy of this minute, and they are required to produce what may be raised for said purpose to the Monthly Meeting in 10th Month next.

At Plainfield Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Sugar Grove 8th Month 4th 1877.

The Monthly meetings were directed to raise money for Quarterly Meeting Stock and forward the same to next Meeting.

Taken from the Minutes

Eunice W. Palmer Clerk for the day.

The Meeting concluded to meet at West Branch at the usual time next Month

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at West Branch 9th Month 29th 1877.

Agreeably to a reference of last Meeting Hannah Newman is

appointed to the Station of overseer.

The friends appointed at last meeting to assist the clerks in making out a suitable introductory Minute, to be placed on our records, produced one, which was read and approved.

& in 6th Month next year. The friends appointed at last meeting to bring forward Names to constitute a committee on the subject of the poor, produced the following, who being united with the women friends therein named are appointed accordingly, except Hannah Jane Hoolson being absent her appointment is refered to next meeting, and they are directed to report to the Monthly Meeting in 6th Month next year.

Report.

We are united in proposing the following (viz)
William B Hadley Joel W Hoolson Eleazer B Carter
Jonathan Newman, Lydia Beales Hannah Jane Hoolson
Jane W Shaw & Phebe Newman.

On behalf of the committee
James Hersey jr
Sophia Weesner.

& The following named friends are appointed to unite with a similar committee of mens meeting to confer together and produce to next meeting the names of friends to be appointed to the station of Elders (viz) Elmina Hersey Mary Moon Sophia Weesner Susanna Carter Asenath Osborn and Mary Williamson.

The meeting then concluded to meet at the usual time next Month at Spring.

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends

held at Spring 10th Month 27th 1847.

Rs Harriet D Stanley Sarah E Masten Mary Ann Jones and Mary Ellen Carter are appointed to attend our ensuing Quarterly Meeting as representatives and report to next Meeting.

Rs Mary M Frazier & Minerva Kendall are appointed care takers to attend the Quarterly Meeting and assist in promoting the good order there of and report to next Meeting.

Agreeably to a reference of last meeting Hannah Jane Hodson is appointed a member of the committee on the subject of the poor.

Rs Spring preparative informs that Authbert W Osborn requests for his minor children Elda Gertrude & Elmina Florence Osborn to be joined in membership with the religious society of friends) after deliberating thereon this and mens meeting united in granting his request and received them into membership accordingly. Mary Williamson & Catharine Stanley are appointed to inform him the decision of the meeting in the case and report to next Meeting.

Agreeably to the direction of the Monthly meeting in 8th month last the sum of $2.45 cts was raised to increase the Quarterly Meeting Stock, which was directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by the representatives

The friends appointed at last Meeting to produce to

This the names of friends to be appointed to the station

of Elders, produced the following; who being united with by the meeting are appointed to that station accordingly. (viz) James Hersey sen, William D Hadley David Osborn Jesse Carter. Keith Hadley Asenath Osborn and Susanna Carter.

Friends of Mill Creek meeting requests the privilege, for the present of holding the Meeting for worship on first & fifth days at 2 O Clock in the afternoon instead of 11 O clock in the morning the preparative Meeting to be held at the close of the Meeting for worship on fifth day preceeding the last Seventh day in each month, except in time of Yearly Meeting then one week earlier, when they come in conflict.

Also friends friends of Spring Meeting are united in asking the Monthly Meeting that the time of holding said Meeting be changed to 2 O clock in the afternoon on the same days as established, with which requests this meeting unites and directs them to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting

The Meeting then concluded.

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 11th Month 24th 1774.

The friends appointed at last meeting to attend the Quarterly Meeting as representatives, reported they all attend

Those appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting as care takers reported they attended.

The friends appointed at last meeting to inform Cuthbert W. Osborn the decision of the meeting in his request, reported it had been attended to.

The following Extract was received from the Meeting for Sufferings

At a called Meeting of the Meeting for Sufferings of Western Yearly Meeting of Friends held at Plainfield 11th Month 2nd 1877.

The case of some of our members, who, on account of the peculiar and unsettled condition of the Meetings to which they belong feel under the necessity of attending other meetings, has claimed the careful consideration of this meeting, and it was united in judgment, that where our members are so situated, and desire to attend and be recognized as members of Monthly Meetings other than those to which they belong and cannot produce regular certificates, that Monthly Meetings be authorized to extend care in the case, and if in their judgment it would be right they may so recognize them, until their former meetings can be reorganized.

The subject of our Meetings of Ministers and Elders was brought before us, and in view of our situation the meeting came to the judgment that the interest and reputation of our society demands

that Monthly meetings be authorized to recognize the

appointment or acknowledgement of all members of that
~~respective~~ preparative Meetings of Ministers and Elders who
occupied that station previous to the taking effect of the
change of discipline, which was adopted in 1876 on that
subject, and are now in unity with us.

Taken from the minutes
of the Meeting aforesaid Adalison Hadley
Clerk of for the day.

R The following named friends are appointed to unite
with a similar committee of men friends to confer together
and produce to next meeting the names of friends to
constitute committees on Education Book & Tracts & First
day Scripture Schools. (viz) Elmina Hersey, Mary Ann Jones
Mary Moon, Harriet S Stanley, Mary Ann Hadley,
Katharine Stanley Hannah P Heacock Sarah Osborn.

R in 4 month next The Extracts from the Minutes and exercises
of our late Yearly Meeting have been read at this time
which was satisfactory to the Meeting, And friends of each
preparative are directed to be liberal in raising money
for Yearly Meeting Stock and for Books & Tracts, and they
are required to produce what may be raised for said
purposes to the Monthly Meeting in 4th Month next year.

The Minute of our late Yearly Meeting on the State of
Society has been read at this time, the counsil and advice
it contained was satisfactory

The following Extract was received from the Quarterly Meeting

At Plainfield Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sugar Grove 11th Month 2nd 1844.

The Monthly Meetings were desired to attend to the Subjects of Education and First day Schools for Scriptural instruction, agreeably to the direction of our late Yearly Meeting.

The Minute of our late Yearly Meeting embracing a Summary of its exercise was directed to the attention of subordinate Meetings

Also the attention of Monthly Meetings is called to the Subject of Meetings of Ministers and Elders. And they are directed to enter on their Minutes the report of the committee of the Yearly Meeting on the Subject of our Discipline.

This Meeting united in judgment with Mill Creek Mo Meeting in reference to the requests from Mill Creek and Spring preparative Meetings for a change in the time of holding their meetings and directs that the change be made accordingly.

Taken from the Minutes of the Meeting aforesaid

Addison Hadley

Eunice W. Palmer Clerks

Report of the committee on the subject of our Discipline in the Yearly Meeting.

The committee on the subject of our Discipline have conferred together and were united in making the following proposition viz; To rescind all changes made in our Book of Discipline since 1865, believing that they have not been for the benefit of society and the advancement of the cause of Truth. On behalf of the committee

Joel W. Hodgson.

The clerk was directed to sign suitable extracts for Mill Creek and Spring preparative Meetings.

The Meeting then concluded.

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at Spring 12th Month 29th 1871.

Pursuant to the minute of last meeting the friends appointed at last meeting to produce to this the names of friends to constitute committees on Education. Books & Tracts & 1st day Schools for Scripture instruction, produced the following report, which being united with by the meeting the women friends therein named are appointed accordingly, except Mary Ellen Carter & Lydia Hale on education. Martha S. Carter Abigail Coffin and Jane W. Shaw on Books & Tracts, Sarah S. Lowe Malinda Frazier Phebe R. Newman & Mary M. Frazier on 1st day schools being absent their appointment is refered to next meeting, Said committee

are directed to report in Seventh Month Next

Report

The committee are united in offering the following
for the Committee on Education.

William A Stanley Eleazar B Carter Ahimaaz Kendal
Alpheus Osborn, Asa Hale, Harriet S Stanley
Mary Ellen Carter, Minerva Kendal & Sydia Hale.

On Books & Tracts.

Jonathan Carter. John Beals William G Headley
Joel W Hodson Ruel Swain Aaron Shaw Amiel
Edwards Obed Anthony, Martha S Carter Sydia
Beals, Abigail Coffin Ruth Headley, Hannah Jane
Hodson, Jane W Shaw & Mary Williamson.

On First days Scripture Schools

Lyrus Osborn Benajah H Carter Nathan B Lowe
Stanford Fraizer James Hersey jr. John Harvey
Jonathan Newman Abraham Williamson Abel Stanley
Benjamin G Hockett. Mary Ann Jones Ella Carter
Sarah S Lowe Malinda Fraizer. Catharine Stanley
Elmina Hersey Mary Ann Harvey Phebe A Newman
& Mary M Fraizer.

On behalf of the Committee
Benejah H Carter
Elmina Hersey.

The Meeting then concluded.

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends
held 1st Month 26th 1848.

The 1st 2nd & 8th Queries were read in this Meeting

with corresponding answers from the preparative meetings of which answers the following Summary, was united with, and directed to be forwarded to our ensuing Quarterly Meeting

Summary Answers

1st Ans All our Meetings for Worship and discipline have been attended and generally by most of our members, except two Meetings for Worship at one small meeting on account of inclement weather and one meeting for Worship at Spring not held, on account of the house being locked against us, and the weather too cold to hold meeting out of doors, No unbecoming behavior to note; the hour of meeting nearly observed.

2nd Ans Friends appear to be preserved in Christian love one toward another. Tale bearing and detraction discouraged, No differences amongst us that we know of.

8th Ans Nothing manifest under the heads of that query to elicit attention

R Mary M Fraizer Hannah Jane Hodson Sophia Wessner & Anna Osborn are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting as representatives and they are directed to report to next meeting.

R Catharine Stanley & Mary Ellen Carter are appointed Care Takers to attend the Quarterly

Meeting and assist in promoting the good order thereof and report to next meeting.

Agreeably to a refference of last Meeting Mary Ellen Carter & Lydia Hale are appointed members of the committee on Education. Martha S Carter Abigail Coffin & Jane W Shaw on Book & Tracts. Sarah S Dove Malinda Braizer Phebe R Newman and Mary M Braizer. on 1st day Scripture Schools.

The following proposition was received from the Meeting of Ministers & Elders, which is united with by this Meeting, and said meeting directed to be established as proposed. The clerk is directed to sign a suitable extract for the Meeting of Ministers & Elders.

To the Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting is united in proposing to the Monthly Meeting to establish a preparative Meeting of Ministers & Elders. to be held on sixth day preceding the last Seventh day in 1st 4th 7th and 10th Months at 11 O Clock in the morning. And to be known by the name of Mill Creek preparative Meeting of Ministers and Elders. And to be held where the Monthly Meeting is held at that time.

Taken from the Minutes of Mill Creek preparative Meeting of Ministers & Elders held 1st Month 25th 1848.

William H Hadley Clerk.

The following Minute was received from Mans Meeting

which was united with by this meeting, and directed to be placed upon our Minutes

On reading the answers to the first query our Minds were humbled in consideration of the present State of our once highly favored and dyed much beloved Society; of the unsettled condition as we find in the reports from Spring Preparative, That on the 9th day of the 12th Month 1877 on the convening of Friends it was found that the meeting house was closed, Friends 80 or more in number, were united in judgement that it would be right to pass that days meeting, (as the weather was inclement) and to hold meeting in a private house in the Town of Ano for the present, and have done so regularly ever since to the satisfaction of Friends; Also in thus exercising the religious duty enjoined upon us, the house at Summit Grove was closed against us on the 14th day of 11th Month 1877, and friends of that Meeting thought it right to retire to a Stable near by, (the day being rainy) and hold their meeting, have been holding Meeting at private houses ever since it being the best we can do at present; And a further evidence of the above condition of our Society was manifested by moving Summit Grove Meeting house off the ground that it was built on, On the 4th and 5th days of 1st Month 1878.

The Meeting then concluded

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends

held at Spring 2nd Month 23rd 1878

The friends appointed at last meeting to attend the Quarterly Meeting as representatives report they all attended

Those appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting as care Takers report neither of them attended, on account of sickness and inclement weather.

The following extract was received from the Yearly Meetings committee on 1st day Scriptural instruction, the advice therein contained was satisfactory to the Meeting, and directed to the attention of this Meetings committee on that Subject.

To Monthly Meetings and their Committees on Scriptural Instruction.

Dear Friends

In the reorganization of our First day Schools we have felt very solicitous that we may consider seriously and carefully the object of such Schools. The scriptures were given forth by inspiration of God; they are this written law, to us who have access to them, they may be considered as inseperably connected, with proper and complete understanding of Gospel Truth, the teaching of the Holy Spirit will always be found in harmony with them; and his enlightning influence is necessary to a right interpretation thereof, We deem it right that while thus highly esteeming the Holy Scriptures we be careful to not place on them a higher estimate than they claim; they are profitable for doctrine for reproof &c

They testify of and lead unto Christ the true Teacher.

but to claim that they are the only sure and sufficient guide to salvation is we believe calculated to lead from Christ the true teacher into a dependence upon a mere intellectual and historical knowledge of the Scriptures as a sufficient law unto us; As we believe that the principles of our Society fully accord with the Holy Scriptures, there seems to us to be not only a propriety but a necessity for teaching them diligently to our children especially in this day of sifting and commotion among professors of religion. We would therefor call the attention of committees and teachers to this part of the Subject that they improve every opportunity for impressing those essential principles as well as the testimonies and interpretations of Scripture which have been held as peculiar to our Society, and not only that they be believers in but be lived out in our daily life and conversation. Monthly Meetings committees were encouraged to open and superintend schools where way opened for it in their respective Neighbourhoods and forward their reports to the clerk of Western Yearly Meetings Committee on Scriptural instruction by 1st of 9th Month Next, Address Jabin Weesner Clayton Hendricks County Indiana. By direction and on behalf of the committee of Western Yearly Meeting on first day Scripture Schools.

2nd Month 9th 1878

Jabin Weesner

Clerk of Committee.

Most of the committee appointed by our last Quarterly Meeting to visit subordinate meetings, and if way should open for it, some of the families for their help and encouragement, are acceptably in attendance at this meeting whose labors have been strengthening and encouraging.

The Meeting solemnly concluded.

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 3rd Month 30th 1848.

The Meeting concluded,

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at Spring 4th Month 27th 1848.

The 1st 2nd & 9th Queries were read in this meeting with corresponding answers from the preparative Meetings, of which answers the following Summary was united with, and directed to be forwarded to our ensuing Quarterly Meeting.

Summary Answers.

1st Ans — All our meetings for worship and discipline have been attended, and generally by most of our members, except one meeting for worship missed on account of inclement weather. And Island Grove preparative reports it has not been held since 7th Month last on account of the unsettled condition of

our society, Friends avoid unbecoming behavior

therein And the hour of Meeting nearly observed.

2nd Ans Friends are preserved in christian love one towards another as far as appears, Tale bearing and detraction discouraged. No apparent differences amongst us.

3rd Ans Friends endeavor to fulfill the requirements of this query.

R Susanna Carter Hannah B. Hoag Sophia Bales & Hannah Jane Hodson are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting as representatives and they are directed to report to next Meeting.

R Elmina Hersey & Harriet S Stanley are appointed care takers to attend the Quarterly Meeting & assist in promoting the good order there of & report to next meeting.

Friends of Spring preparative requests that the time of holding their Meeting for worship & discipline be changed to 11 o'clock in the Morning, instead of 2 o'clock in the after noon on same days as now established, with which this Meeting unites, and directs it forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting. The clerk is directed to sign an extract for the Quarterly Meeting.

Mill Creek preparative Meeting of Ministers and Elders with the unity and approbation of

Plainfield Quarterly Meeting of Ministers & Elders

proposed Elmina Hersey & Joel W. Hodson as suitable friends to stand in the Station of Elder, which being seperately considered, was united with by this & mens meeting and appoints them to that Station accordingly

The clerk is directed to sign an extract from the above minute for the preparative Meeting of Ministers and Elders.

The Meeting concluded.

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 5th Month 25th 1878.

The friends appointed at last meeting to attend the Quarterly Meeting as representatives, report they all attended.

Those appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting as care takers report, they both attended.

R. Cuthbert H. Osborn & Asenath B. Osborn (formerly Carter) produced an offering for accomplishing their marriage contrary to discipline, which was read and after a time of deliberation thereon the Meeting united in accepting it. Harriet S. Stanley is appointed to inform her the decision of the Meeting in the case & report to next meeting.

The following Extract is received from the Quarterly Meeting

At Plainfield Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sugar Grove 5th Month 4th 1848.

This meeting unites with yours in granting the request of Spring preparative, to change the hour of holding their meeting for worship and discipline from 2 Oclock P.M. to 11 Oclock A.M. Taken from the minutes of the meeting aforesaid Addison Headley Eunice M. Palmer clerks

The clerk is directed to sign an extract for Spring preparative Meeting.

Ev Evan Carter & Sarah Jane Carter (formerly Weesner) produced an offering for accomplishing their marriage contrary to discipline. which was read, and after a time of deliberation thereon the meeting united in accepting it. Minerva Hendall was appointed to inform her the decision of the meeting in the case & report to next meeting.

Phebe George a Minister acceptably attended this Meeting & produced a minute of unity and concurrence from Beech Grove Monthly Meeting of friends dated 1st Month 16th 1848.

Josiah George an Elder and companion to his wife Phebe George acceptably attended this meeting & produced a minute of unity & concurrence from Beech Grove Monthly Meeting of friends dated 1st Month 16th 1848.

The meeting then solemnly concluded.

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at Spring 6th Month 29th 1878.

The friends appointed at last meeting to inform Asenath B Osborn & Sarah Jane Carter the decision of the meeting in their case report they have attended thereto.

Be in 8th Month next The following friends are appointed in conjunction with a similar committee of men friends to make a record of the membership of this meeting, also to procure a suitable book and fill up the same so far as necessary & report to the meeting in 8th month next (viz) Rebecca Hadley Lydia Bales Phebe B Newman Mary Ann Harvey Jane W Shaw Emily S Osborn Hannah Jane Hodson & Mary Ann Jones.

Be in 6th Month next year The committee on the subject of the poor produced the following report which is satisfactory to the meeting, the committee are continued to the service & directed to report to the Monthly Meeting in 6th Month next Year.

Report.

We the committee appointed to have the care of the poor have given attention to the object of our appointment, & have expended for their benefit $12.33 cts On behalf of the committee

6 Month 29th 1878 Jonathan Newman Clerk.

Returning Minutes were produced and read for Phebe George & husband Isaiah George which the clerk was directed to sign on behalf of this Meeting relative to the acceptable attendance at our last Monthly Meeting & Labors since; of the aforesaid friends.

Eleazar Bales a Minister acceptably attended this Meeting and produced a minute of unity and concurrence from Plainfield Monthly Meeting of friends dated 4th Month 3rd 1828

The clerk is directed to sign a minute on behalf of this Meeting relative to the acceptable attendance & labors of the aforesaid friend.

The following [redacted] was received & read from the Yearly Meetings Committee on Education which was united with, & directed to the attention of this Meetings committee on that subject and to families & friends individually.

To Quarterly and Monthly Meetings Their Committees and friends individually.

The yearly religious education of y[redacted]th claiming the deliberate consideration of the committee, and in view of the many departures in doctrine and practice from the primitive teaching of our religious Society we were brought into deep exercise and concern for the preservation of our Youth in the ever blessed

Truth, and that their education may be such as

to convince establish and confirm them in the doctrines of Christianity as held by the society in its first rise; believing that those views and practices were strictly in accordance with the teaching of our Savior and with the whole tenor of Scripture testimony. Thus we feel to encourage Monthly Meetings Committees to be diligent and watchful to avail themselves of every right opening for the promotion of that desirable object. We are well aware of the surrounding influences that are difficult to surmount, yet the welfare of our dear Children and the prosperity of truth and righteousness in the earth, should be paramount to a little pecuniary sacrifice, We desire that parents and guardians may feel the responsibility resting on them in the Home training of Children from infancy with that wholesom restraint that Truth requires, as well as the selecting of Teachers as far as may be who feel the responsibility of their position whose lives and conversation are consistant with our profession; We feel like encouraging friends to consider the propriety of having family schools and more Home instruction, when they can have little or no influence in the Public Schools. Also to procure suitable reading lessons for their Childrens home reading, that will interest

edify—and confirm them in the reality of Christianity.

Signed by direction and on behalf of Western Yearly Meetings Committee on the Subject of Education 5th Month 4th 1878.

Semple Nerlin Clerk.

The Meeting concluded.

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 6th Month 27th 1878.

The queries were all read in this meeting with the corresponding answers thereto from the preparatives, of which the following Summary was approved and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting.

Summary Answers

1st Ans. All our Meetings for worship and discipline have been attended, (except one small meeting for worship,) and generally by the most of our Members, unbecoming behavior therein avoided, the hour of Meeting nearly observed.

2nd Ans. Friends are preserved in Christian love one toward another, as far as appears, Tale bearing and detraction are discouraged, No differences amongst us that we know of.

3d Ans We believe Friends are ~~engaged~~ concerned to train up their children and those of other friends under their care in our christian principles and in plainness of dress and language which they enjoin, Yet there is a lack of plainness in dress and address; they are guarded against reading pernicious books and from corrupt conversation, and they are encouraged to read the Holy Scriptures, Care taken in the above deficiencies.

4th Ans We believe friends are clear in a pretty good degree under the several heads of this query

5th Ans The necessities of the poor have been attended to as queried after and some relief afforded. No children amongst us requiring ~~School~~ and in School education

6th Ans We know of no cause for complaint in regard to this query.

7th Ans Friends appear to be careful under the different heads of this query.

8th Ans Care is taken to deal with offenders seasonably and impartially, and to endeavor to evince to those who will not be reclaimed, the spirit of meekness and love, before judgment is placed upon them.

Annual Answers.

1st Ans None the past year.

2nd Ans Some encouragement has been given in regard to schools, but no way has opened to have any school in our limits under our control as far as appears each family of friends is furnished with a copy of the Holy Scriptures.

3rd Ans The queries addressed to the Quarterly Monthly and preparative Meetings have been read and answered therein as directed.

The advices were read, and solemnly considered

Rd Mary W. Carter Sophia Weesner Mary McFraizer Emily S Osborn & Abigail Coffin are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting as representatives and report to next Meeting.

Rd Mary Ellen Carter & Mary Ann Hoover are appointed Care takers to attend the Quarterly Meeting, assist in promoting good order therein & report to next Meeting.

Agreeably to the direction of the Yearly Meeting the sum of $3.25 was raised for Yearly Meeting Stock & $2. 00 for Books & Tracts, which was directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by the representatives.

8th In 6 Month next year The committee on Books & Tracts

produced the following report which is satisfactory to the Meeting, the committee are continued & directed to report to the Monthly Meeting in 6th Month next year.

Report.

We have endeavored to attend to the object assigned us and have received since last report about seven pounds or a little over four thousand pages of Tracts which have been nearly all distributed amongst friends and others, We have also received in the same time 95 Books & Pamphlets (many of the books being small) belonging to Western Yearly Meeting of Friends & directed to the care of Mill Creek Monthly Meetings Book & Tract Committee to hold at present as a Library & have the care of loaning & encouraging the reading of the same, whereupon we labled & numbered, and gave in charge of our Librarian to apportion between his assistants in the different neighborhoods, The Books are in pretty good condition, and since they have been thus placed (which has been between four and five Months) there has been 82 loans, We feel to encourage Friends to the diligent reading of the same.

Signed on behalf of the Committee
7th Month 27th 1878. Joel W. Hadson Clerk.

8th In 7th Month next year The committee on Education produced the following report which is satisfactory to Meeting the committee are continued to the service & directed to report to the Monthly Meeting in 7th Month next year.

Report

We the committee on Education report as follows,
There are within our limits between the age of Six & twenty one, 27 Males and 23 females, Total 50.
Most of whom have been going to School the past year.
None are growing up without Literary instruction.

Signed by direction of the committee
4th Month 27 1878. William A Stanley Clerk.

Rec'd in 4th Month next year. The committee on First day Scripture School instruction produced the following report which is satisfactory to the Meeting, the committee are continued & directed to report to the Monthly Meeting in 4th Month next year.

Report

We have endeavored to give attention to the object assigned us; On the 4th of 4th Month last 2 Schools were opened, One on the 21st of the same Month & one on the 7th of 4th Month 1878. All have been kept up to this date, to our satisfaction; Whole number in attendance 125. Heads of families 41. Average daily attendance 97½.

On behalf of the committee
4th Month 27th 1878. James Harvey Jr. Clerk.

The Meeting concluded.

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at Spring 8th Month 31st 1848.

The friends appointed at last Meeting to attend the Quarterly Meeting as representatives report they all attended.

Those appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting as Care Takers, report they both attended.

Re Jesse H Branson & Rebecca Branson (formerly Hodson) produced an offering, condemning their departure in accomplishing their marriage contrary to discipline, which was read, & after a time of deliberation thereon the Meeting united in accepting it, Sarah Masten was appointed to inform her the decision of the meeting in the case & report to next Meeting.

Re in 10 month next The committee appointed in 6th Month last to make a record of the membership &c of this meeting, informed they had been giving attention to the subject, but were not in readiness to make full report, the committee are continued & directed to report in 10th Month next.

The Meeting then concluded.

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 9th Month 28th 1878.

The friend appointed at last meeting to inform Rebecca Branson the decision of the meeting in her case reported, it had been attended to.

R The following named friends are appointed to unite with a similar committee of men Friends to make choice of & produce to next meeting the names of friends to have the care of timeing this meeting (viz) Mary Moon Jane W Shaw Mary M Fraizer and Elmina Hersey.

R The following named friends are appointed to bring forward to next meeting the name of a friend for clerk & one for assistant to this meeting the ensuing year, (viz) Catharine Stanley Lydia Beales Mary Moon & Hannah Jane Hoodson.

R when complied with Mary Ann Jones Sophia Wesner Elmina Hersey Mary Jane Carter & Mary Coffin are appointed to assist the clerk in correcting & recording the minutes of this meeting the past year & report when they shall have complied with their appointment.

Joseph Hackett a Minister acceptably

attended this meeting & produced a minute of unity & concurrence from Plainfield Monthly Meeting of friends held at Sugar Grove 4th Month 3rd 1878.

Robert W Hodson an Elder in company with Joseph Hackett acceptably attended this meeting & produced a minute of unity and concurrence from Plainfield Monthly Meeting of friends held at Sugar Grove 4th Month 3rd 1878.

The clerk was directed to sign minutes on behalf of this meeting relative to the acceptable attendance of the aforesaid friends.

The Meeting then concluded.

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at Spring 10th Month 26th 1878.

It Elmina Hersey Sophia Weesner Mary Williamson & Hannah Jane Hodson were appointed to attend our ensuing Quarterly Meeting as representatives & they are directed to report to next Meeting.

It Catharine Stanley & Hannah F Hoan were appointed care-takers to attend the Quarterly Meeting & assist in promoting the good order thereof & report to next Meeting.

The friends appointed at last Meeting to produce to this the name of a friend to have the care of timeing this Meeting, proposed the name of William D Headley, & that Ruth Headley occupy that seat in womens meeting, who being united with were appointed to the service.

The committee continued in 2d Month last in making a record of the Membership &c of this Meeting, report they purchased a record Book at a cost of $4.50 cts which has been settled by a draft on this meetings Treasury, & have filled it up so far as way opened at present, which is satisfactory to the Meeting. Joel W Hodson is appointed recorder of births and deaths

The friends appointed at last meeting to bring forward to this, the name of a friend for clerk and one for assistant to this meeting the ensuing year, proposed Mercy Ann Jones for clerk, and Ellen Carter for assistant, who being united with are appointed to that service.

The Meeting concluded.

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 1st Month 30th 1848.

The friends appointed by last meeting to attend the Quarterly Meeting as representatives reported they all attended except one.

Those appointed by last meeting to attend the Quarterly Meeting as caretakers, reported one attended.

R The Extracts from the Minutes and epistles of our late Yearly Meeting were read in this meeting, which were satisfactory, And friends of each preparative Meeting were directed to be liberal in raising money to aid the Book and Tract Committee, and to increase the Yearly Meeting Stock. And they were required to produce what may be raised for the use of the Book and Tract committee in 1st Month next. And for Yearly Meeting Stock in the 7th Month. The clerk was directed to furnish the

Preparative Meetings with a copy of this minute

The meeting concluded

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at Spring 12th Month 24th 1878.

The committee appointed in 9th Month last to assist the clerk in correcting and recording the minutes of this meeting the past year report the service performed.

The minute of our late Yearly Meeting on the state of Society was read in this meeting, the counsel and advice it contained were satisfactory

The meeting concluded.

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 1st Month 25th 1879.

The 1st 2nd and 8th queries were read in this meeting, with answers thereto from the preparative meetings, of which answers the following Summary was united with, and directed to be forwarded to our ensuing Quarterly Meeting.

Summary Answers

1st Ans. All of our meetings for worship and discipline have been attended, except one

preparative states four meetings for worship not attended on account of sickness, an other reports three meetings for worship not attended (at one small meeting) on account of sickness and inclement weather. Friends avoid unbecoming behavior therein. The hour of meeting neatly observed.

2nd Ans. Friends are preserved in Christian love one toward another as far as appears. Tale-bearing and detraction discouraged. No apparent differences amongst us.

8th Ans. Nothing coming under the notice of this query.

Lydia Bales, Catharine Stanley, Miriam C. Bodenhamer and Elmina Kersey were appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting as representatives, and report to next meeting.

Sophia Weisner and Ella Carter were appointed Care-takers to attend the Quarterly Meeting, assist in promoting good order therein, and report to next meeting.

Mill Creek Preparative Meeting of Ministers and Elders, with the unity and approbation of Plainfield Quarterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders proposed Jane W. Shaw as a suitable friend to stand in the station of an Elder, which being united with

by this and mens meeting, that she was appointed to that station.

The Clerk was directed to sign an extract from the above minute for the Preparative Meeting of Ministers and Elders.

Agreeably to the direction of the Monthly Meeting in 1st Month last, the Preparative Meetings produced $3.20, which was directed to be placed in the care of this meetings Committee on Books and Tracts.

The meeting concluded.

Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at Spring 2nd Month 22nd 1879.

The friends appointed by last meeting to attend the Quarterly Meeting as representatives reported they all attended.

The meeting was informed that those appointed by last meeting to attend the Quarterly Meeting as Caretakers did not attend.

Ruth Hadley was appointed to hold the Record Book of Minutes of this Monthly meeting.

Mary Moon, Mary Williamson, Mary Ann Osborn, Ruth Hadley, Emily L. Osborn were appointed conjointly with a committee

of mens' meeting to take into consideration

a change or addition of Overseers in the Monthly Meeting, and report to next meeting.

The meeting concluded.

Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 5th Month 29th 1849.

The Committee appointed by last meeting to take into consideration a change or addition of Overseers in the Monthly Meeting, report they think no changes necessary at present, except the addition of Lydia Hale in Island Grove Preparative Meeting; which was satisfactory to the meeting, and Lydia Hale was appointed to the service of Overseer.

R. in 5th month Jane W. Shaw, Ruth Hadley, Hannah Jane Hodson, Elmina Kersey, were appointed conjointly with a committee of mens' meeting to visit the meetings belonging to the Monthly Meeting for their help and encouragement, and report in the 6th month.

The meeting solemnly concluded.

Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at Spring 4th mo. 26th 1879.

The 1st 2nd & 8th queries were read in this meeting with corresponding answers from the preparative meetings, from which answers the following Summary has resulted with, and directed to be forwarded to our ensuing Quarterly Meeting.

Summary Answers

1st Ans. All our meetings for worship & discipline have been attended and generally by the most of our members, except six meetings for worship at one meeting on account of sickness and bad roads. No unbecoming behavior to note. And the hour of meeting nearly observed.

2nd Ans. Friends appear to be preserved in Christian love one toward another. Tale bearing and detraction discouraged. No appearent differences amongst us.

8th Ans: Nothing coming under the notice of this query.

Mary Ann Harvey, Mary Moore, Lydia Bales, Emily S. Osborn were

appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting as representatives, and report to next meeting.

Hannah F. Kean, Sophia Wessner were appointed Caretakers to attend the Quarterly Meeting, assist in promoting good order therein, and report to next meeting.

The meeting concluded.

Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 5th month 31st 1819

The Clerk not being present Mary M. Fraiser was appointed clerk for the day.

The friends appointed by last meeting to attend the Quarterly Meeting as Representatives reported they all attended.

Those appointed by last meeting to attend the Quarterly Meeting as Caretakers reported they attended.

The Committee appointed in the 3rd Month last to visit the meetings of the Monthly Meeting for their help and encouragement made the following report.

To the Monthly Meeting.

We the Committee appointed to visit the subordinate Meetings, have attended to the object of our appointment we have visited all the meetings, in the limits of the Monthly Meeting to our encouragment and satisfaction by the faithfulness of the members attending their meetings; and we believe further by the general expression of the members the visit from the committee was a course of help and encouragement to them.

Signed on behalf of the committee
Jesse Carter
Elmina Kersey.

5th Month. 31st 1878.

A Certificate of right of membership was received for James Maulsby and Ruth his wife the former a Minister and the latter an Elder, from White River Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Jerico 5th mo. 7th 1878.

Summit Grove Preparative Meeting of Women Friends complains of Martha Jane Hadley for neglecting the attendance of our religious Meetings, and for attending meetings held contrary to our discipline. Mary Moon and Asenath Osborn were appointed to visit and labor with her on the account thereof. And report to next meeting.

The Educational Committee of Western

Yearly Meeting of Friends, produced the following Address, which was read the advice was satisfactory to friends, and was directed to the attention of this meetings Committee on Education,

To Monthly Meetings, their Committees on the subject of Education, and Friends generally.

Dear Friends we continue to feel very solicitous for the right training and education of the youth of our Society, although surrounded by much that is calculated to discourage, so that at times it may seem as if we could scarcely hold fast to and live out before the world, those precious principles and testimonies which have been bequeathed to us as a Society, we are nevertheless convinced that there is nothing contained in them more than is strictly enjoined upon us by the precepts and example of our Holy Redeemer as we come under his teaching and government, this being our honest belief it becomes us to be very earnest that they should be diligently taught to our children, our obligation in this respect can scarcely be less than that laid upon the chosen people of God in olden time when he said "And these words which I command thee this day shall be in thine heart and thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children and shalt talk of them when thou

sall in thine house and when thou walkest

by the way, and when thou liest down and when thou risest up".

While we believe that the common or public school of our land have been and are of great value yet we are convinced that they do not entirely meet our wants as a society, our children are, in them, brought in contact with much, that is at variance with our principles. The selection of teachers being to but limited extent under our control, the teaching they receive and the associations and various influences thrown around them are often calculated to lead away from, rather than into those habits of self denial and consistent deportment which are essential to a permanent growth and establishment in the Christian Religion. Shall we then Dear Friends stand boldly forward before the world and labor for the defence and perpetuation of those doctrines and testimonies which we do surely believe in.

We are convinced that if this is the case, our children must be brought under influences more favorable than those generally surrounding them in the public schools, and while we have no definite plan for the accomplishment of this object, we would encourage friends, to allow no reasonable pecuniary sacrifice

to deter them from endeavoring to bring

about so desirable a result as the education of our youth in such away that we may have an assurance that they may become useful members, not only of community, but of our Religious Society.

Signed by direction and on behalf of Western Yearly Meetings Committee on the subject of Education,

5th Month 8th 1879. Temple Newlin clerk

The meeting Concluded.

Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at Spring Month 28th 1879.

Our esteemed friend James Maulsby, a Minister with whom we have unity expressed in this meeting a concern which had impressed his mind for some time to visit in gospel love White Lick Quarterly Meeting Some of the Monthly Meetings composing it, and Plainfield Quarterly Meeting. Also appoint some meetings among Friends and others, After a time of deliberation unity was expressed and he encouraged to attend thereto as best Wisdom may direct.

Ruth Maulsby an Elder in unity, expressed a willingness to accompany her husband James

Maulsby in his religious visit as set forth in his minute, this meeting expressed unity with her therein and encouraged her to attend thereto

The Clerk was directed to sign copies of the preceding minutes on behalf of this meeting

The friends appointed by last meeting to visit and labor with Martha Jane Chadsey for her non attendance of our Religious meetings and attending meetings held contrary to our discipline, Reported they went to her house saw her but were forbidden to say a word to her on the subject of complaint. After deliberation in the case, Mens meeting and this were united in proceeding to disunify against her Elmina Kersey Catharine Stanley were appointed to inform her to prepare a testification and produce it to next meeting.

Reinstatements

The committee having care of those in indigent circumstances within the limits of this Monthly Meeting produced the following satisfactory report. The committee were continued to the service and directed to report in 6th Month next year.

Report

We the committee having care of the Poor, have paid attention to the object of our appointment and have expended the sum of $52.71 cents for

their support since our last report. And

have taken Mary J. Gray to the County Asylum for better care and protection.

Signed by direction of the committee.

Jonathan Newman Clerk.

Rec'd in 6th Mo. 4th

The Book and Tract Committee produced the following report, which was satisfactory to the meeting, the committee were continued to the service and directed to report in 6th Month next.

Report to the Monthly Meeting

We have endeavored to give attention to the object of our appointment. Have raised through the aid of Women Friends $8.20 cts to aid the Central Book and Tract Committee since last report and received in the way of Tracts about 7 lbs 6 ounces or 4486 pages of Tracts which have been distributed. Also about 195 Juvenile Books for the use of our First-day scripture school pupils. By examination we find the Libraries in pretty fair condition, those at the County Jail and Alms house are reported by the managers as being well read, the loans at these two Libraries are not kept — the others report 88 loans the past year. West Branch not heard from. We have lately changed the Books in the different meetings thereby to secure more reading, and placed a few of them at Island Grove which has hitherto not been furnished.

No addition to the Library the past year.

On behalf of the Committee. Joel W. Hodson Clerk.

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The following named friends were appointed to unite with a similar committee of Mens meeting to confer together and produce to next meeting the names of friends to constitute Committees on Education and First day Scripture School. (ie) Ruth Hadley, Sophia Wessner, Emily T. Osborn, Elmina Hussey, Hannah Jane Hodson.

The Committee of Western Yearly Meeting of Friends on First-day Scripture School instruction, produced the following Address, which was read the advice therein contained was edifying to the meeting, and was directed to the attention of this meetings committee on Scripture Schools.

To Monthly Meetings and their Committees on Scriptural instruction.

Dear Friends

We feel it to be our duty again to address you on the subject of the guarded religious education of the youth particularly in that of Scriptural instruction that while we are reading Studying the Bible both in school and at home we may bear in mind the need of looking to, and waiting for that enlightening power which gave forth the Holy Scriptures to interpret or explain the true meaning thereof to our edification and advancement in a knowledge of the things

of God, so that they may prove to be to us what Paul said they were to Timothy, "Able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus, All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction, in righteousness; That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works." Yet they are not the fountain, but a declaration of the fountain, Therefore therefore they are not to be esteemed the principle ground of all truth and knowledge nor yet the adequate primary rule of faith and manners, but they are and may be esteemed a secondary rule subordinate to the Spirit, from which they have all their excellency and certainty; for by the inward testimony of the spirit we alone truly know these, so the spirit is that guide by which the saints are led into all Truth. The saying of our Savior to the Jews is equally applicable to us, "Search the Scriptures for in them ye think ye have eternal life, and they are they which testify of me, and ye will not come to me that ye might have life." We shall ever find that the teaching of the Holy Spirit is in harmony with the reading of the Bible when rightly understood. We desire to encourage Friends every where to be diligent in the perusal of the Holy Scriptures, and meditate on their precious contents with the mind turned to their divine author to seal instruction on our minds. It appears clear

to us that the teaching in our First day Scripture

Schools should be to convince, to strengthen and to confirm the mind of the children in the reality of Christianity as held by Friends and the interpretation that sound Friends have ever given to Holy Scripture, thereby guarding them as far as may be from the many by ways and by theories with the surrounding influences of the present day, calculated to undermine and weaken the faith of many, in the necessity of the followers of Christ, loving that humble self denying cross bearing life that all his true followers ever have. In obedience to which all the testimonies and peculiarities of the Society of Friends grew out of.

In that love that knows no bounds and with desires for the advancement of the Messiahs Kingdom in the earth and the welfare of the children of men, we salute you.

Signed by direction of the Yearly Meetings Committee on First day Scripture Schools.

6th month 25th 1849 John Wiesner Clerk.

The meeting solemnly concluded.

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 7th Month 26th 1879.

The queries were all read in this meeting and answers thereto from the preparatives, of which the following Summary was taken — approved and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting.

Summary Answers

1st Answer. All our meetings for worship and discipline have been attended, except two meetings for worship, (one on account of a funeral,) Friends avoid unbecoming behavior therein, and the hour of meeting nearly observed.

2nd Ans. Friends appear to be preserved in Christian love one toward another. Talebearing and detraction are discouraged. And no apparent differences amongst us.

3rd Ans. Friends endeavor to train up their children and those of other Friends under their care in our Christian principles, and in plainness and simplicity of dress, language and deportment which they enjoin. They guard them against reading pernicious books and from corrupt conversation, and they are encouraged to read the Holy Scriptures diligently. Yet we believe

more care in these respects would be beneficial.

4th Ans. Friends appear to be clear under the several heads of this query.

5th Ans. The necessities of the poor have been attended to as queried after, and some relief afforded. No children amongst us coming under the latter clause of this query.

6th Ans. Friends maintain a testimony against priests and ministers wages, Against Slavery, oaths, bearing arms, and all Military services, trading in goods taken in war, and against lotteries.

7th Ans. Friends appear to be clear under the several requisitions of this query. But we believe a Continual watchfulness is required of us.

8th Ans. Care is taken to deal with offenders seasonably and impartially, and endeavors are used to evince to those who will not be reclaimed the spirit of meekness and love before judgment is placed upon them.

Annual Answers

1st Ans. No meeting settled the past year.

2nd Answer. Some encouragement has been given to schools under the tuition of teachers in membership with us.* And each family of Friends is furnished with a copy of the Holy Scriptures.

3rd Ans. The queries addressed to the Quarterly, Monthly and Preparative meetings have been read and answered therein as directed.

The Advices were read and considered.

R Harriet S. Stanley, Sophia Wiesner, Anna Osborn, Hannah Jane Hodson were appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting as representatives, and report to next meeting.

R Mary M. Frazier, Emily L. Osborn were appointed Care-takers, to attend the Quarterly Meeting, assist in promoting good order therein and report to next meeting.

Agreeably to the direction of the Yearly Meeting the Sum of $3320 cts was raised for the use of the Book and Tract Committee, and placed in the hands of the treasurer of that Committee. And $3,65 for Yearly Meeting Stock, which was directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by the representatives.

* But no school supported under our control

R The friends appointed by last meeting to inform Martha Jane Hadley the decision of the meeting, and prepare a testification, reported they had attended to the appointment and produced the following testification, which was read, and signed on behalf of Burns Preston and the Family L. Osborn, Lydia Osborn were appointed to offer Martha Jane Hadley a copy of the testification and report to next meeting

Testification

Martha Jane Hadley who has had a right of membership in the Society of Friends has neglected the attendance of our religious meetings, has also attended meetings held contrary to our discipline, for which she has been treated with without the desired effect; — We, therefore testify that she is no longer a member of our religious society,

Signed in and by direction of Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Friends held 26th day of 7th month 1879.

Jabez Hiatt Clerk.
Mary E. Osborn Clerk.

R

Spring Preparative Meeting of Women Friends informed there is a complaint against Mary Dixon for manifesting a spirit of discontent towards the Society of Friends by the neglecting of the attendance of our religious meetings, and taking an active part in meetings held subversive of the long established good order of the Religious Society

of Friends. Jane W. Shaw, Mary M. Fraizer

were appointed to visit and labor with her on account thereof. And report to next meeting.

Spring Preparative Meeting of Women Friends informed there is a complaint against Margaret Kendall for manifesting a spirit of disunity towards the Society of Friends by the neglecting of the attendance of our religious meetings and taking an active part in meetings held subversive of the long established good order of the Religious Society of Friends. Mary Moon, Sophia W. Elsner, Ruth Hadley were appointed to visit and labor with her on account thereof, and report to next meeting.

Spring Preparative Meeting of Friends informed that the members of West Branch Meeting for worship, requested their meeting be discontinued as a meeting, and that the members be attached to Spring Meeting, with which Mens Meeting and this united and directed the request forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting.

The Clerk was directed to sign an Extract for the Quarterly Meeting on behalf of this meeting.

The committee on Education produced the following report which was satisfactory to this meeting:

Report

We the committee on Education, report as follows; There are within our limits, between the age of six and twenty-one 52. most of whom have been going to school the past year, there are growing up without literary instruction, No schools under our care; On behalf in the committee 7th Month 26th 1879. William C. Stanley Clerk.

The committee on First-day Scripture School instruction produced the following satisfactory report,

Report

We the committee continued in 4th month last year on First-day Scripture School instruction, have given attention to the subject, 2 Schools were continued until late in the 11th month last year, from time of our last report and reopened early in 4th month the present year and have progressed to pretty good satisfaction to the present time, whole no. in attendance 95, Heads of families 85. Average attendance about 50.

On behalf of the committee

7th Month 26th 1879. James Kersey jun. Clerk.

R 7th Mo. The friends appointed by last meeting to produce to this the names of friends to constitute committees on Education and First-day Scripture School Instruction, produced the following report

which being united with by the meeting,

the women friends therein named were appointed accordingly, except Miriam D. Badenhamer, Sarah B. Howe, Mary Ellen Carter on Education, Mary Ann Harvey, Lydia Hale on First-day Scripture Schools Institution, being absent their appointment is referred to next meeting. Said Committee are directed to report in the 7th Month next.

~~8th Month~~ 7th Month We the committee appointed at last meeting to bring forward names to constitute Committees on Education and First-day Scripture Schools, are united in proposing the following.

On First-day Scripture Schools.

James Hersey jr	Elmina Hersey
John Harvey	Mary Ann Harvey
Abbe Stanley	Catharine Stanley
James Maubsy	Ruth Maubsy
Agnus Osborn	Mary Ann Osborn
Nathan Carter	Sophia Weesner
Jonathan Newman	Phebe R. Newman
Asa Hale	Lydia Hale
	Mary M. Frazier

On Education

William C. Stanley	Harriet S. Stanley
John A. Bodenhamer	Miriam D. Bodenhamer
Hezekiah Osborn	Emily L. Osborn
Nathan B. Lowe	Sarah L. Lowe
Abraham Williamson	Minerva Hendall
Benajah H. Carter	Ella Carter
Eleazor B. Carter	Mary Ellen Carter

Signed on behalf of the committee
William T. Hadley
4th Month 26th 1879. Hannah Jane Hadley

The meeting then concluded.

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held at Spring 5th Month 8th 1879.

The friends appointed by last meeting to attend the Quarterly Meeting as representatives reported they all attended, except one.

Those appointed by last meeting to attend the Quarterly Meeting as Caretakers, reported they attended.

The friends appointed by last meeting to offer Martha Jane Hadley a copy of the testimony of disownment issued by this meeting, reported they offered her a copy, but she ~~could not be~~ did not attend to the appointment

Agreeably to a reference from last meeting

Miriam O Bodenhamer, Sarah L. Lewis, Mary Ellen Carter were appointed members of the Committee on Education, and Mary Anne Harvey, Lydia Hall on First-day Scripture School Instruction.

A The friends appointed by last meeting to visit and labor with Mary Dixon for manifesting a spirit of disunity towards the Society of Friends by the neglecting of the attendance of our religious meetings, and taking an active part in meetings held subversive of the long established good order of the Religious Society of Friends, reported they visited her, but she did not seem in a disposition of mind to make satisfaction, after deliberation in the case Mens Meeting and this were united in proceeding to testify against her Lydia Bales, Emma S. Osborn were appointed to inform her — to prepare a testification and produce it to next meeting.

A The friends appointed by last meeting to visit and labor with Margaret Pendall for manifesting a spirit of disunity towards the Society of Friends by the neglecting of the attendance of our religious meetings, and taking an active part in meetings held subversive of the long established good order of the Religious Society of Friends, Reported they visited

her but not to satisfaction, as she refused to answer any questions. After deliberation in the case men's meeting and this were united in proceeding to testify against her. Catharine Stanley, Wasit S. Stanley were appointed to inform her to prepare a testification and produce it to next meeting.

When Friends informed this meeting there is a complaint against John Rendall for manifesting a spirit of disunity towards the Society of Friends by the neglect of the attendance of our religious meetings and taking an active part in meetings held subversive of the long established good order of the Religious Society of Friends; for which they have treated with him without the desired effect and were united in proceeding to testify against him; this meeting united in judgement with

Mens Meeting informed of at this sitting

there was a complaint against Addison Hadley for departing from the well known practices and testimonies of the religious Society of Friends, thereby manifesting disunity, and for being active in moving Summit Grove meeting house contrary to discipline. And that they had treated with him without the desired effect and had come to the judgement to disown him, this meeting united with the decision of mens meeting.

At 8th month The committee on funerals made the following satisfactory report. the committee was continued and directed to report in 8th month next.

Report

We the committee appointed to have the care of funerals, have attended to the object of our appointment and those under our control have been orderly conducted.

On behalf of the committee

8th Month 30th 1847 Joel W. Hodson

Ruth Hadley

The following Extract was received from Plainfield Quarterly Meeting of Friends, in accordance therewith said Meeting was discontinued and the members thereof attached to Spring meeting for Worship

At Plainfield Quarterly Meeting of

Friends held at Sugar Grove 8th month 2nd 1879.

To Mill Creek Monthly Meeting

Dear Friends

This meeting was united in judgement with yours that it would be right to grant the request of Friends of West Branch Meeting for Membership, and direct that said meeting be discontinued

Taken from the minutes of the meeting aforesaid

Addison Hadley
Eunice W. Palmer
Clerks.

The meeting then concluded.

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 9th month 27th 1879.

The friends appointed by last meeting to inform Mary Dixon the decision of the meeting, and prepare a testification & donate reported they had attended to the appointment, and produced the following testification, which was read and signed on behalf of Mens meeting and this, Mary Jane Carter, Susanna Carter were appointed to offer Mary Dixon a copy of the testification, and report to next meeting

Testification

Mary Dixon who has had a right of membership in the Society of Friends has manifested a spirit of disunity towards the Society by the neglecting of the Attendance of our Religious meetings and taking an active part in meetings held subversive of the long established good order of the Religious Society of Friends, for which she has been treated with without the desired effect;— We, therefore, testify that she is no longer a member of our Religious Society.

Signed in and by direction of Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Friends held 9th Month 24th 1879.

Gabin Weesner Clerks
Mary A. Osborn

Reported in 10th month

The friends appointed by last meeting to inform Margaret Kendall the decision of the meeting, and prepare a testification ~~of disownment~~ reported they had attended to the appointment and produced the following testification, which was read and signed on behalf of meeting and this Mary H. Frazier, Emily L. Osborn were appointed to offer her a copy of the testification issued against her, and report to next meeting.

Testification

Margaret Kendall who has had a right of membership in the Society of Friends has manifested a spirit of disunity towards the Society by neglecting the attendance of our religious meetings and taking an active part in meetings held subversive of the long established good orders of the religious Society, for which she has been treated with both with and without the desired effect. We, therefore, testify that she is no longer a member of our religious society.

Signed in and by direction of Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Friends held 9th month 27th 1879.

Jabin W. Keesner clerks.
Mary A. Osborn

Men friends brought in testifications of complaint against John Dripps and Jain Kendall, which were read approved and signed on behalf of this meeting.

They also produced a testification against Addison Hadley, which was read, approved and signed on behalf of this meeting

informed this meeting in writing that they intend marriage with each other. Mercer Wendall, Emily S. Osborn were appointed to make inquiry agreeably to discipline concerning Martha H. Hodson, and report to next meeting.

The following named friends were appointed to bring forward to next meeting the name of a friend for Clerk and one for Assistant to the meeting the ensuing year (viz) Lydia Bales, Susanna Carter, Mary M. Frazier, Mary Jane Carter.

Elmina Hervey, Abigail Coffin, Hannah F. Hean, Ruth Hadley, Harriet J. Stanley were appointed to assist the clerk in reading and recording the minutes of this meeting the past year, and report when they shall have complied with their appointment.

Most of the committee appointed by our late yearly Meeting to visit subordinate meetings, families and individuals, as way open for acceptably attended this meeting; their company has been satisfactory, and labor very edifying to us.

The meeting then solemnly adjourned.

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of

Women Friends held at Spring 10th mo. 25th 1779.*

Sarah Master, Minerva Kendall, Mary M. Thayer, Susanna Carter were appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting as representatives, and directed report to the next meeting.

Katharine Slater, Sopha Warner were appointed Caretakers to attend the Quarterly Meetings and report to next meeting.

The friends appointed by last meeting to offer Mary Dixon a copy of the testification against her, which was read by this meeting, reported they had attended to the appointment.

The friends appointed by last meeting to offer Margaret Kendall a copy of the testification against her, which was read by this meeting, reported they had attended to the appointment.

* James and Ruth Mauley returned the minutes granted them by the meeting in 8th month last, with the information they had visited most of the meetings for which they were liberated, had held some meetings by appointment, which were satisfactory and comforting to their minds. They produced returning minutes

expressive of their acceptable attendance of

Plainfield Monthly Meeting of Friends dated 7th month 2nd 1879. And Whitewater Quarterly Meeting of Friends dated 8th month 16th 1879 All of which was satisfactory to the meeting

a Minister

James Hadley informed this meeting that he desired Liberty to attend some meetings where there are no Friends meetings held whilst engaged as a member of the Committee appointed by our late Yearly Meeting to have care of subordinate meetings &c., After a time of deliberation much unity was expressed with him, and he encouraged to attend thereto as Truth may dictate.

The clerk was directed to sign a copy of the preceding minute on behalf of this meeting.

The friends appointed by last meeting to enquire concerning Martha H. Edson, reported that they found nothing to hinder her joining in marriage with Nathan S. Carter, and the consent of parents being given, they were left at liberty to accomplish their marriage according to our discipline Minerva Kendall & Ruth S. Osborn were appointed to attend the accomplishment of the marriage (and entertainment if there be any) and report to next meeting.

This meeting appoints a meeting at the house of Joel H. Hobson for the accomplishment of the marriage of Walton Carter and Martha A. Hobson at 2 o'clock P.M. the 25th of 10th Month 1879.

The friends appointed by last meeting to bring forward to this the name of a friend for Clerk and one for Assistant to the meeting proposed Mary A. Osborn for clerk and Harriet E. Stanley for Assistant who being united with were appointed to the service the ensuing year.

The committee appointed by last meeting to assist the clerk in revising and recording the minutes of the meeting the past year reported the service performed.

Friends of Mill Creek Preparative request the time of holding their meeting for worship and discipline be changed from 2 o'clock P.M. to 11 o'clock A.M. and that meeting for worship on first 7th of Quarterly Meeting be discontinued.

Also friends of Summit Grove Preparative request their meeting for worship and discipline be discontinued (on account of being deprived of their meeting house) and the members attached to Mill Creek

Meeting for Worship and ~~Business~~ Preparative

This meeting proposed that Spring meeting for Worship be discontinued on first day of Quarterly Meeting.

Also the meeting requested that it be held at Mill Creek instead of alternately at Mill Creek and Spring as heretofore.

After deliberation thereon this meeting expresses unity with the several requests, and directed them forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting.

The clerk was directed to sign & extract from the above minute to the Quarterly, on behalf of this meeting. The meeting then concluded.

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 11th Month 29th 1874.

The friends appointed by last meeting to attend the Quarterly Meeting as representatives reported they all attended.

Those appointed by last meeting to attend the Quarterly Meeting as Caretakers, reported they attended.

The friends appointed by last meeting to attend the marriage of Nathan E. Carter and Martha A. Hodson, reported they attended and that they thought it orderly accomplished.

The Extracts from the minutes and

exercises of our Late Yearly Meeting were read in this meeting, which were satisfactory to the meeting, And members of each Preparative Meeting were requested to be liberal in contributing funds to assist the Book and Tract Committee, And produce what may be raised for said purpose to the monthly Meeting the 1st month next

They were also directed to raise money to increase the Yearly Meeting Stock, And produce it to the Monthly Meeting on 1st month next.

The Clerk was directed to furnish the Preparative Meetings with a copy of this minute, signed on behalf of the meeting,

An Epistle from Iowa Yearly Meeting of Women Friends, was read in this meeting the contents of which was satisfactory and edifying to the meeting,

The following Epistle was received, and Read in this meeting from Mill Creek Monthly Meeting

Dear Friends

The Quarterly Meeting was united in granting the several requests forwarded by you, Viz.

To discontinue the meeting for Worship and the Preparative at Vermillion and

attach the members thereof to Mill Creek

meeting for Worship and Preparative.

To change the time of holding it's meetings at Mill Creek from 2 o'clock P.M. to 11 A.M. on first and fifth days.

To discontinue the meetings for worship at Mill Creek and at Spring on first day of Quarterly Meeting.

And that your Monthly Meetings be held all the time at Mill Creek instead of alternate at Mill Creek and Spring as heretofore.

And directs your meeting to attend to carrying down the meetings and making the changes proposed.

Taken from the minutes of Plainfield Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sugar Grove 11th month 1st 1873.

Addison Hadley Clerk.
Eunice H. Palmer

In accordance with the foregoing Extract from the Quarterly Meeting Summit Grove meeting for worship and Preparative were discontinued, and directed to hand over books, papers and other property belonging to the meeting to Mill Creek Preparative, and the members were attached to that meeting.

The clerk was directed to sign the necessary Extracts to the Preparatives relative to the proposed changes.

The meeting was concluded.

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 12th Month 27th 1879.

A certificate of right of membership was received for Obadiah Morgan from Plainfield Monthly Meeting of Friends dated 12th Month 3rd 1879.

The meeting concluded.

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 1st Month 31st 1880.

The 1st, 2nd, and 8th queries were read in this meeting, and answers thereto from the preparative meetings, of which Answers the following Summary was approved and directed to be forwarded to our ensuing Quarterly Meeting.

Summary Answers

1st No. All our Meetings for Worship and discipline have been attended and generally by the most of our members, though mid-week meetings sometimes small, except one Preparative reports two mid-week meetings for worship not attended on account of sickness.

Unbecoming behaviour in meetings avoided.

And the hour of meeting nearly observed.

2nd Mo. Friends appear to be preserved in Christian love one toward another, Tale-bearing and detraction discouraged, and no apparent differences among us.

8th Mo. There is a care to deal with offenders seasonably and impartially, and to endeavor to evince to those who will not be reclaimed the spirit of meekness and love before judgement is placed upon them.

Jane H. Shaw, Hannah Jane Hodson, Martha S. Carter and Mary H. Carter were appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting as representatives and report to next meeting.

Spring & mill Creek

Lydia Bales, Mary Ellen Carter were appointed Care-takers, to attend the Quarterly Meeting, and assist in preserving good order therein, and report to next meeting.

Agreeably to the direction of the Monthly Meeting in 4th Month last the Preparative Meetings have produced money as follows - Mill Creek $2.95. Spring 8 cts. Island Grove 40 cts.

which was directed to be paid to the

treasurer of the Book and Tract Committee.

Anna Osborn requests for a certificate
concerning her visit of Ministership to
Plainfield Monthly Meeting of Friends.
Harriet S. Stanley & Susanna Carter were
appointed to make the necessary enquiry
if they find nothing to hinder, prepare a
Certificate and produce it to next meeting.

Ruth Ann Stanton a minister of
the Gospel, in the performance of a
religious visit, attended this meeting
with a minute of unity and concurrence
from West Union Monthly Meeting of
Friends dated 11th Month 15th 1879.
Her company and labors have been
satisfactory and edifying.

The Clerk was directed to sign a
returning minute on behalf of this meeting
relative to the acceptable attendance
of Ruth Ann Stanton.

The meeting solemnly concluded.

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 2nd month 28th 1880.

The friends appointed by last meeting to attend the Quarterly Meeting as representatives, reported two attended.

Those appointed by last meeting to attend the Quarterly Meeting as Correspondents, reported one attended.

The friends appointed by last meeting to prepare a certificate of right of membership for Anna Osborn, reported they found no obstruction and produced a certificate which was read approved and signed on behalf of the meeting.

William T. Hadley, Joel W. Hodson, Jessie Trueman, Elmina Kersey, Ruth H. Hadley, Asenath Osborn, Jane W. Hall, were appointed in joint session of men and women Friends to consider the discontinuing of Hadley meeting for worship and preparative and Danville meeting for worship, Also visit the members of those meetings, if way should open for it, and report to next meeting. The meeting concluded.

At a Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 3rd month 27th 1880.

The Committee appointed last meeting to consider discontinuing Yearly meeting for worship and Separation and Danville meeting for worship, and to visit the members of those meetings should any join for it, made the following report which was satisfactory to the meeting.

The Committee appointed to consider the propriety of discontinuing Yearly meeting for worship and Separation at the meeting for worship at Danville, have attended to the Service of our appointment as way opened for it. After conferring with members in each meeting, we are united in judgment that it would be well to proceed to discontinue said meetings, and that the members of Yearly meeting for worship and Separation be attached to the meeting for worship and Separation at Spring; and the meeting for worship at Danville be attached to the meeting for worship at Mill Creek. On behalf of the committee

3rd Month 27th 1880. James Kersey jun

June 11, 81 acc

The clerk was directed to sign an Extract to the Quarterly Meeting on behalf of this meeting relative to discontinuing of Hardley meeting for worship and Preparative and Danville meeting for worship.

Mill Creek Preparative meeting of Women Friends informed there is a complaint against Eleanor Foster for neglecting the attendance of our religious meetings, and attending meetings held subversive of the long established good order of the Religious Society of Friends. Catharine Stanley, Lydia Bales were appointed to visit and labor with her on account thereof, and report to next meeting.

Spring Preparative Meeting of Women Friends informed there is a complaint against Rachel Eliza Mendenhall for neglecting the attendance of our religious meetings, and taking an active part in meetings held subversive of the long established good Order of the religious Society of Friends. Jane H. Shaw, Ruth Hadley were appointed to visit and labor with her on account thereof, and report to next meeting.

Mary Jane Carter requested for a Certificate conveying her right of membership to Westfield Monthly Meeting of Friends. Allen H. Craige, Mary Ann Carter were appointed to make the necessary inquiry, if they find nothing to hinder, prepare a Certificate and produce it to next meeting.

The meeting concluded.

At a Men's Preparative Meeting of Women Friends held 4th Month 24th 1880.

James Mauls[illegible] returned the minute granted him 10th Month last with the information he had attended a number of meetings with the Ayrshire Meetings Committee, And some meetings by appointment, most of them attended by members of the Committee, and were favoured meetings and very encouraging and relieving to his mind. Produced & returning Minutes from Beech Grove Monthly Meeting held 11 Month 12th 1879, White Lick Quarterly Meeting of Friends held 11th Month 15th 1879, Plainfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held 2nd Month 4th 1880, which was satisfactory and ordered to the meeting.

James Maulsby a minister in good esteem and Ruth Maulsby his wife, an Elder, joined him in a request to appoint some meetings where truth may open the way while visiting relatives and friends in the State of Iowa. After serious deliberation on the subject good unity was expressed with their request, and they encouraged to attend thereto as best Wisdom may direct.

The Clerk was directed to give a copy of the preceding minute on behalf of this meeting.

The 1st, 2nd and 3d queries, with answers to them from the preparative meetings, also the following summary of the answers were read, and the summary adopted, and directed to be forwarded to our ensuing Quarterly Meeting.

Summary Answers,

1st Ans. All our meetings for worship and discipline have been attended, Friends avoid unbecoming behavior therein, And the hour of meeting nearly observed.

2nd Ans. Friends are preserved in Christian love one toward another as far as we know, Tale bearing and detraction discouraged, No apparent differences amongst us.

& Elmira Care has been taken under the several heads of this Query.

Elmina Hervey & Hannah Jane Hodgson, Susanna Carter and Lydia Bates were appointed to attend the Quarterly Meetings as representatives, and report to next Meeting.

Mary W. Fraizer and Ella Carter were appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting as Care-takers, to assist in preserving good order therein, and report to next Meeting.

The friends appointed to visit and labor with Eleanor Rogers for neglecting the attendance of our religious meetings and attending meetings held subversive of the established good order of the Religious Society of Friends, Reported they visited her and she expressed that she thought best to continue to attend the meeting she has been attending. After deliberation in the case this monthly and preparative meeting were united in proceeding to testify against her Mary W. Carter and Hannah A. Furnas were appointed to inform her and prepare a testification and present it to next meeting.

The friends appointed to last meeting to visit Rachel Eliza Kendall for neglecting the attendance of our Religious meetings,

and taking an active part in meetings held subversive of the long established good order of the Religious Society of Friends. Reported they visited her and she did not appear in a disposition of mind to make satisfaction. After deliberation, this and men meeting were united in proceeding to testify against her. Susanna Carter, Sophia Wessner were appointed to inform her to prepare a testification and produce it to next meeting.

The friends appointed at last meeting to prepare a Certificate of exact & moderate for Mary Jane Carter. Reported they had attended to the appointment, and produced a Certificate which was read and signed on behalf of the meeting.

Mill Creek Preparative Meeting of Women Friends informed that Louisa Jane Stanley is unsound in practice and doctrine of our Religious society, and has been giving her aid and support to meetings held subversive of the long established good order of the Orthodox Friends; thereby manifesting disunity with us. Also Emily S. Hadley and Martha N. Stuart have departed from the practices and testimonies of our religious Society by giving their aid and support to meetings held subversive of the long established good order of Orthodox

Friends, thereby manifesting disunity with us, Elmina Kersey, Mary Coon, Hannah Osborn were appointed to treat with the aforesaid friends respectively on account of their departure, and report the result of their labors to next meeting.

Mens meeting inform there is a complaint against Thomas Nicholson for holding unsound doctrine and for departing from the well known practices and testimonies of the religious Society of Orthodox Friends. And Henry Rogers for departing from the well known practices and testimonies of the religious Society of Orthodox Friends, thereby manifesting disunity, and for aiding in moving Summit Side meeting house contrary to discipline. They also inform that Athira Kendall has manifested a spirit of disunity towards the religious Society of Friends by neglecting the attendance of our religious meetings, and for attended meetings held subversive of the long established good order of the same, and James Haworth has manifested a spirit of disunity towards the society of Friends by neglecting the attendance of our religious meetings, and taking an active part in meetings held subversive of the long established good order of the same. And that they have

came to the judgement to proceed to testify against them. This meeting concurs in the desision of ours Friends.

Mill Creek Preparative meeting of Ministers and Elders, with the unity and approbation of Plainfield Quarterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders, proposed John Bales and Lydia Bales, as suitable friends to stand in the station of Elders, who being visited with by this and Ours meeting, were appointed to that station.

The clerk was directed to sign a suitable extract on behalf of this meeting to the Preparative meeting of Ministers and Elders.

Island Grove Preparative Meeting requesters that the preparative meeting and the mid-week meeting for worship be discontinued. Ours meeting and this were united that the Preparative meeting and the mid-week meeting in the week of Preparative Meeting at Mill Creek be discontinued, and directed the request forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting.

The meeting Concluded.

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 5th Month 29th 1880.

James and Ruth Mannsby returned the minute granted them by last meeting with an interesting account of their labors in Iowa in attending meetings in their course and to a good advantage among Friends, and some meetings by appointment among the Methodist and Others which were favor attended, — All of which to be believed were favoured seasons, Those from among Friends seemed to be especially owned by the great Head of the Church, — Said account was edifying and encouraging to us.

Read this minute here.

Then friends brought on testimonies against Henry Rodes, Thomas Nicholson, Thira Kendall and James Haworth, which were read and signed on behalf of the meeting.

Then meeting informed that Calvin Stanley, Simon Hadley and Jared P. Stuart have departed from the well known practices and testimonies of the Religious Society of Orthodox Friends, thereby manifesting disunity, and that they were united in proceeding to testify against them; this meeting united with the judgement of Three Months,

The friends appointed to inform Rachel Eliza Kendall the decision of the meeting, and prepare a testification, reported they had attended to the appointment, and produced the following testification which was approved and signed on behalf of this and mens meeting, Emily S. Osborn Mary M. Frazier were appointed to offer her a copy thereof, and report to next meeting.

Testification

Rachel Eliza Kendall who has had a right of membership in the Society of Friends has neglected the attendance of our religious meetings, and taken an active part in meetings held subversive of the long established good order of the Religious Society of Friends, for which she has been treated with without the desired effect. We therefore testify that she is no longer a member of our religious society.

Signed in and by direction of Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Friends held 5th Month 29th 1850.

Allen Furnas
Mary S. Osborn Clerks

The friends appointed to inform Eleanor Rogers the decision of the meeting, and prepare a testification reported they had attended to the appointment and produced the following testification, which

was approved and signed on behalf of this and
mens meeting, & Jane W. Shaw, Sarah Jane
Carter were appointed to offer her a Copy of
the ~~Testification~~ Testification. And report to next Sitting.

Testification

Eleanor Roger who has had a right of
membership in the Society of Friends has neg-
lected the attendance of our religious meetings,
and attended meetings held contrary to the
long established good order of the Religious
Society of Friends, for which she has been dealt
with but without the desired effect. We
therefore testify that she disowns to be a mem-
ber of our religious society.

Signed in and by direction of Phila. Quar-
terly Meeting of Friends held at Pine St.
29th 1880.

Allen Furnas
Mary B. Osborn Clerk

The friends appointed by last meeting to
visit Louisa Jane Stanley, Emily S. Whitall
and Martha R. Stuart reported that they visited
them respectively and they seemed to be satisfied
with the meeting they were attending, after
serious consideration the meeting gave to
the judgement to testify against them,
this meeting concurring with our friends Exer-

Lydia Bales, Susanna Carter were appointed to inform them the decision of the meeting and prepare testifications and produce them to next meeting.

Mill Creek Preparative Meeting of Women Friends informed there is a complaint against Eliza J. Hodson for being out of unity with Friends, and for attending meetings held subversive of the long established good order of the Religious Society of Friends, Ruth Hadley, Catharine Stanley are appointed to treat with her on account thereof, and report the result of their labor to next meeting.

Report

Spring Preparative Meeting of Women Friends informed that Jane H. Doan has manifested a spirit of disunity towards the religious Society of Friends by neglecting the attendance of our religious meetings; and taking an active part in meetings held subversive of the long established good order of said society. Jane H. Shaw and Emily L. Osborn were appointed to treat with her on account thereof, and report the result of their labor to next meeting.

Report

The following Extract is received from the Smith Prairie

To Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Friends.

Dear Friends

This meeting united in discontinuing the meeting for worship and Preparative at Hadleys, & the meeting for worship at Danville — And the Preparative meeting and mid-week meeting for worship at Island Grove on 4th day of preparative meeting week, — And directed the discontinuance of those meetings accordingly. — The members of Hadleys to be attached to Spring, and those of Danville to Mill Creek; And the members of Island Grove to Mill Creek Preparative.

Taken from the minutes of Plainfield Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sugar Grove 5th Mo. 1st 1858.

Addison Hadley
Eunice W. Robbins Clerks.

Agreeable to the foregoing Extract from the Quarterly Meeting, — Hadley meeting for worship and the Preparative, And the meeting for worship at Danville are discontinued and Ruth Hadley, Seydsie Dales, Elmina Hervey are appointed in conjunction with a committee of Men's

meeting to attend Island Grove Preparative meeting, with a copy of the Extract granting their request, and produce to this meeting the Books and papers of Island Grove Preparative Meeting, and report to next meeting.

The meeting concluded

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 6th Month 26th 1850.

The friends appointed by last meeting to offer Rachel Eliza Kendall a copy of the testification issued by this meeting, reported they had attended to the appointment.

The friends appointed by last meeting to offer Eleanor Rogers a copy of the testification issued by this meeting, reported they had attended to the appointment.

The friends appointed by last meeting to inform Louisa Jane Manley, Emily J. Hadley and Martha N. Stuart, the decision of the meeting and prepare testifications, reported they had attended to the appointment, and produced the following testifications, which were approved and signed on behalf of this and mens meeting, Lydia

Asbury and Mary H. Carter, were appointed to offer each a copy of the testifications issued against her, and report to next meeting.

Testification.

Louisa Jane Slater, who has had a right of membership in the Society of Friends is unsound in the Doctrine of our religious society and has been giving her aid and support to meetings held contrary to the long established good order of the Orthodox Friends, thereby manifesting disunity with us. For which she has been treated with without the desired effect:- We therefore testify that she is no longer a member of our religious society.

Signed in and by direction of said Clerk's Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Newberg 4th day 5th mo. 1880.

John Hockett Clerk for the day.

Mary D. Osborn Clerk.

Testification.

Emily S. Hadley who has had a right of membership in the Society of Friends has departed from the practices and testimonies of our religious society by giving her aid and support to meetings held contrary to the long established good order of Orthodox Friends, thereby manifesting disunity with us. For which she has been treated with without

the desired effect; We therefore testify that she is no longer a member of our religious society. Signed in and by direction of Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Friends held 6th Month 26th 1880.

Jabin Heacock Clerk for the day
Mary E. Osborn Clerk.

Testification

Martha N. Stuart who has had a right of membership in the Society of Friends has departed from the practices and testimonies of our religious society by giving her aid and support to meetings held subversive of the long established good order of Orthodox Friends. Fully manifesting disunity with us. For which she has been treated with without the desired effect; We therefore testify that she is no longer a member of our religious society. Signed in and by direction of Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Friends held 6th Month 26th 1880.

Jabin Heacock Clerk for the day
Mary E. Osborn Clerk.

The friends appointed by last meeting to deal with Eliza J. Hodson reported that they visited her but she did not appear disposed to make satisfaction. Those appointed to treat with Jane H. Dawes reported she was not in a disposition of mind to make satisfaction. After due deliberation this and others were left to rest against them. Samuel J. Stanley and Lydia B. Bates were appointed to inform them of the action of the meeting and to prepare testimonies and produce them to next meeting.

The friends appointed by last meeting to attend to the discontinuance of Island Grove Preparative Meeting, produced the following report, which was satisfactory to the meeting.

Report

To the Monthly Meeting

Most of the committee appointed at last meeting to attend to the discontinuance of Island Grove Preparative Meeting &c, attended to the appointment, and said Meeting was discontinued as directed.

On behalf of the committee John Bates

6th Month 26th 1880. Ruth H. Ridley

Men friends brought in testifications against Calvin Stanley, Simeon Hadley and Jared P. Stuart, which were approved and signed on behalf of the meeting.

Mens meeting informed this that Isaac Ratliff, is a member of a secret organization, known as Free Masons, said membership being contrary to discipline. And Ephraim D. Dan has manifested a spirit of disunity towards the religious Society of Friends by neglecting the attendance of our religious meetings and taken an active part in meetings held subversive of the long established good order of the same, they also inform there is a complaint against Jeremiah L. Hodson for being out of unity with Friends, and for attending meetings held subversive of the long established good order of the religious Society of Friends. And that they have extended care and came to the judgement to proceed to testify against them. This meeting concurred with the decision of mens meeting.

Report in 6 mo 1810

The committee having care of those in indigent circumstances within the limits of the Monthly Meeting, produced the following satisfactory Report. The committee was continued to the service and directed to report in the 6th month next year

Report

To the Monthly Meeting

We the committee on the subject of the poor in the limits of the Monthly meeting have endeavored to attend to the object of our appointment we have rendered some assistance, and given advice where it was thought necessary.

On behalf of the committee

Jonathan Wiseman Clerk

Report in 6 mo 1810

The Book and Tract Committee made the following report, which was satisfactory to the meeting, the committee was continued to the service and directed to report in the 6th month next

Report of the Book and Tract committee to the Monthly Meeting

We have endeavored to give attention to the object of our appointment

Have raised through the aid of Women Friends $370 to aid the Central Book and Tract Committee since our last report, And received in the way of Tracts 6 lbs 12 ounces or a little over four thousand pages of Tract which have been distributed amongst Friends and others. Also received about fifty copies of the moral Almanac which have been distributed amongst our members, And a few pamphlets or large Tracts from the writings of Early Friends, which have been circulated amongst our members and one copy of Dymond on war, and one copy of Bates Doctrines of Friends, which have been placed in the Library, The Library at West Branch is in the hands of Rud Sabin since that meeting has been laid down has been placed in the hands of Joel H. Hodson of Spring,

We find by Examination the Books in the different Libraries under our care to be in pretty good conditions. The reading at the jail and poor house are reported four, The other Libraries report 45 loans since last report, No addition to the Libraries the past year except the two books above mentioned, also a few books and tracts received from the Abadian Brown fund have been mostly distributed.

On behalf of the Committee

Joel T. Hodson Clerk.

Spring Preparative Meeting of Women Friends informed that Tacy Hadley and Aseneth Stanley have manifested a spirit of disunity towards the religious Society of Friends by neglecting the attendance of our religious meetings. And taken part in meetings held subversive of the long established good order of the same, Jane W. Shaw, Mary M. Frazier, were appointed to visit them on account thereof, and report the result of their labor to next meeting.

A returning minute was received expressing the acceptable attendance of James and Ruth Maulsby from Bear Creek Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at North Branch Fourth Month 22nd 1880. Which was satisfactory to the meeting.

The meeting concluded.

Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 4th Month 31st 1880.

James Maule, a minister of the gospel with whom we have unity expressed in this meeting a concern that had rested with weight on his mind to visit in the love of the Gospel some of the meetings of Friends, and appoint some meetings among those not in membership with us in the limits of Western Yearly meeting. After due deliberation good unity was expressed with his request, and he was encouraged to attend them as best wisdom may direct.

The clerk was directed to sign a copy of the foregoing minute on behalf of this meeting.

The queries, with Answers to them from the Preparative Meetings. Also the following summary of the answers were read, And the summary approved and directed to be forwarded to our ensuing Quarterly Meeting.

Summary Answers

1st Qus. All our meetings for worship and discipline have been attended. Friends avoid unbecoming behaviour therein. And the hour of meeting nearly observed.

2nd Ans Friends seem to be preserved in christian love one toward another, Tale bearing and detraction discouraged, and when differences arise endeavors are used to end them;

3rd And Friends endeavor to train up their children, and those of other Friends under their care, in our christian principles and in the plainness and simplicity of dress, language and deportment which they enjoin; though we believe there is a lack in these important duties, they guard them against reading pernicious books and from corrupt conversation, they are encouraged to read the Holy Scriptures diligently, But we think more care would be beneficial.

4th Ans We believe friends are clear under the several heads of this query.

5 Ans Friends are careful in regard to this query.

6th Ans. Friends maintain a testimony against priests and ministers wages, against slavery, oaths, bearing arms, and all military services, trading in goods taken in war, and against lotteries.

7th Ans. Friends are careful to live within the bounds of their circumstances and to avoid involving themselves in business beyond their ability to manage; or in hazardous or speculative trade. They are just in their dealings and punctual in complying with their contracts and engagements; and in paying their debts seasonably, as far as appears.

8th Ans. Care is taken to deal with offenders seasonably and impartially, and to endeavor to evince to those who will not be reclaimed the spirit of meekness and love before judgment is placed upon them.

Annual Answers

1st Ans. No meeting settled the past year.

2nd Ans. Friends desire to encourage schools under the tuition of teachers in membership with us, but no school under our control. Each family of Friends is furnished with a copy of the Holy Scriptures.

3rd Ans. The queries addressed to the Quarterly, Monthly and Preparative Meetings have been read and answered therein as directed.

The advices were read as directed.

Dorcas A. Furnas, Sarah Marker,

Mary W. Marker and Katharine Stanley were appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting, as Representatives, and report to next meeting.

Asbury M. Frazier and Sophia H. Evans were appointed Caretakers, to attend the Quarterly Meeting, and assist in preserving good order therein, and report to next meeting.

Especially to the direction of the Yearly Meeting $3,60 was raised for the use of the Book and Tract Committee, and placed in the hands of the Treasurer of said committee. And $5,00 for Yearly Meeting Stock, which was directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by the Representatives.

The friends appointed by last meeting to offer Louisa Jane Stanley, Emily J. Hadley, Martha N. Stuart each a copy of the testification issued by this meeting, reported they had attended to the appointment.

The friends appointed by last meeting to inform Elisa J. Hodson and Jane H. Doan, the decision of the meeting and prepare testifications, produced a testification against Jane H. Doan, which was approved and

signed on behalf of this and mens meeting

Susanna Carter and Martha S. Carter, were appointed to offer her a copy ~~of the testification~~ of the. And report to next meeting. And that Elyza J. Hodson requested friends to wait another month, the case is continued under the care of the same committee with the addition of Ruth Hadley and Mary Moore And they are directed to report to next meeting.

The friends appointed by last meeting to treat with Isaiy Hadley and Hannah Stanley reported they had an opportunity with them respectively but they were not in disposition of mind to make satisfaction. After due consideration this and mens meeting came to the judgment to proceed to testify against them. Mary W. Carter and Minerva W. Kendall were appointed to inform them the decision of the meeting, and prepare testifications and produce them to next meeting.

Testification

Jane H. Dean who has had a right of membership in the Society of Friends has manifested a spirit of disunity towards the religious society of Friends by neglecting the attendance of our religious meetings and taken an active part in meetings held subversive of the long established good of said

society for which she has been treated with without the desired effect — We therefore testify that she is no longer a member of our religious society,

Signed in and by direction of Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Friends held 7th Month 31st 1820.

Allen Furnas
Isaac B. Osborn Clerks.

Men friends produced a testification against Ephraim Doan which was approved and signed on behalf of this meeting,

Men friends informed that Job Hadley and Isa Hadley have manifested a Spirit of disunity towards the religious Society of Friends by neglecting the attendance of our religious meetings, and have departed from the well known practices and testimonies of said Society, And that they had come to the judgment to testify against them, This meeting concurred in their decision.

The Committee on First-day Scripture school instruction produced the following satisfactory report. The committee was continued with the addition of Sarah A. Furnas, And directed to report in 7th Month next

Report

To the Monthly Meeting

We the committee appointed to have the care of First-day Scripture School Instruction, have endeavored to give the subject what care seemed necessary.

Since our report last year — Spring school was continued about 2½ months then adjourned until the first of 4th month was then resumed and is still in session. Mill Creek and Summit Grove schools were continued until in the 11th month last and then consolidated as one school, and is yet in session. The whole number attending school about 85. — Heads of families 35.

Average attendance about 50

Respectfully submitted

12th mo. 31st 1880. Cyrus Osborn Clerk for the day.

The committee on Education produced the following report, which was satisfactory to the meeting. The committee was continued, and directed to report in the 4th month next year.

Report

We the committee on Education offer the following report — We have in our limits 45 children between the ages of 6 and 21 years. We have no school under the care of Friends. A portion of scripture has been read daily in most of the schools which our children have attended. We children growing

To the Monthly Meeting

We, the Committee having care of those in indigent circumstances within our limits, have given some attention thereto

up without literary instruction.

On behalf of the committee
William C. Stanley Clerk,

The following named friends were appointed in conjunction with a similar committee of men friends to consider the propriety of a change or changes in Overseers, and report to next meeting, viz, Ruth Hadley, Mary Moon, Jane H. Swain, Deborah H. Taylor.

Elwood Carter a minister of the Gospel in the performance of a religious visit attended this meeting with a minute of unity and concurrence from Westfield Monthly Meeting of Friends dated 7th Month 1st 1880. His company and labors have been satisfactory.

The clerk was directed to sign a returning minute on behalf of this meeting, relating to the acceptable attendance of Elwood Carter ~~and wife~~ Friend.

This meeting is united in proposing to the Dist. that the Quarterly Meeting be held alternately and at Mill Creek in the 2nd and 8th months.

The meeting concluded.

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting
of Womens Friends held 8th month 28th 1850.

The friends appointed representatives by last meeting to the Quarterly Meeting Reported they all attended.

Also appointed Caretakers reported they attended.

The friends appointed by last meeting to offer Jane T. Davis a copy of the testification issued by this meeting, Reported they had attended to the appointment.

The friends appointed to inform Jane Hadley and Hannah Stanley the decision of this meeting and prepare testifications, Reported they had attended to the appointment, and produced the following testifications, which were approved and signed on behalf of this and mens meeting,

Hannah Osborn and Mary Moon were appointed to offer each a copy of the testification issued against her, and report to next meeting,

Testification

Jane Hadley who has had a right of membership in the Society of Friends, has manifested a spirit of disunity towards the religious Society of Friends by neglecting the attendance of our religious meetings, and taken part in meetings held subversive of the long established good order of the same for which she has been dealt with with out the

desired effect:- We, therfore, testify that
she is no longer a member of our religious society.
Signed in and by direction of Mill Creek
Monthly meeting of Friends held 5th month 26th
1880. Allen Furnas
Mary E. Osborn Clerks.

Testification.

Hannah Stanley, who has had a right of membership in the Society of Friends, has manifested a spirit of disunity towards the religious Society of Friends, by neglecting the attendance of our religious meetings, and taken part in meetings held contrary to the long established good order of the same, for which she has been treated with without effect the desired effect:- We, therefore, testify that she is no longer a member of our religious society.
Signed in and by direction of Mill Creek
Monthly Meeting of Friends held 5th month 26th
1880. Allen Furnas
Mary E. Osborn Clerks.

The friends to whom was referred the case of Elizey Hodson, reported that in their judgment under the circumstances it would be best at present to drop the complaint; the meeting accepted the report and appointed Jane T. Shaw and Catharine Stanley to inform her the decision of the meeting, and report to next meeting.

The committee appointed to take into consideration

a change of Overseers in the Monthly Meeting reported they have had the subject under consideration, and proposed Jane H. Shaw in place of Sophia Thessmer and Harriet S. Stanley in place of Martha S. Carter, and they considered no other change necessary at this present. The report was satisfactorily to the meeting and the Friends proposed were appointed to the service of the ensuing year.

The committee on Burials made the following satisfactory report, the committee was continued and directed to report in the 8th month next.

Report

The committee to have the care of Burials have attended to their appointment, and can report all that have occurred amongst us, as orderly conducted.

On behalf of the committee

8th month 28th 1852.

Joel H. Hodgson

Jane H. Shaw.

Men Friends produced testifications against Isaac Ratliff and Ira Stanley, which were approved and signed on behalf of this meeting.

Friend Elwood Baker returning a visit here

The meeting concluded.

Our esteemed friend Eleazar Bales, a minister of the Gospel, attended this meeting with a minute of unity and acceptance from Westfield Monthly Meeting of Friends, dated 6th Month 4th 1803.

His company and religious service has been satisfactory and edifying.

The clerk was directed to sign a recommendatory minute on behalf of this meeting, relative to the acceptable attendance of Eleazar Bales.

At Short Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends

held 4th Mo 25th 1850

The Clerk not being present pro. tem. was appointed for the day.

The Friends appointed by last meeting to offer Lucy K. Hadley and Eleanor Stanley exchange of the Certificates issued by this meeting, reported they had attended to the appointment.

The Friends appointed to inform Eliza pro. Hadson the desire of the meeting reported they had attended to the appointment.

Two Friends produced a testimonial against Ed Hadley which was read approved and signed.

The following named friends were appointed to prepare to next meeting the names of Friends for Clerk and suporvisors assistant to the meeting the ensuing year (viz) Lydia Bales Mary Moon Hannah A Swain and Hannah J Hadson and report to next meeting.

Susanna Carter Ruth Hadley Harriet J Stanley Emily Le Osborn and Rachel H Thomson were appointed to assist the clerk in revising and recording the minutes of the meeting the past year and report when they do so.

complied with their appointment

The meeting having disposed of the business that came before it, was concluded.

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 10th Month 30th 1880

Catharine Stanley, Emily L. Osborn, Mary M. Frazier and Elmina Kersey were appointed representatives to attend the Quarterly Meeting, and report to next meeting.

Lydia Bales and Hannah Jane Hodson were appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and have a care in promoting quietness therein, and report to next meeting.

Spring Preparative Meeting of Women Friends informed that Sarah M. Hadley has manifested a spirit of disunity towards the religious Society of Friends by neglecting the attendance of our religious meetings, and been active in the promotion of meetings held subversive of the long established good order of the same. Also Ruth Coffin has manifested a spirit of disunity towards the religious Society of Friends by neglecting the attendance of our religious meetings, and has attended meetings held subversive of the long

established good order of the same)

Mary Moon, Hezekiah Osborn, Susanna Earlam were appointed to treat with them on account thereof, and report to next meeting.

The friends appointed by last meeting to propose the name of a friend for Clerk, and one for Assistant to the meeting the ensuing year, proposed Mary Ann Osborn for Clerk and Harriet Stanley for assistant, who being united with were appointed to the service.

A returning minute was received for Jesse and Ruth Meads by from North Branch Monthly Meeting of Friends, Iowa, held 5th mo 19th 1880, expressive of the acceptable attendance of the appointed Friends at that meeting, which was satisfactory to this meeting.

Our esteemed friend Ruth Ann Stanley a minister of the Gospel in the course of her visit acceptably attended this meeting [illegible] for worship [illegible] the family of [illegible] as way opened for her with a minute of unity and concurrence from West Union Monthly Meeting of Friends held 9th mo 2nd 1880, [illegible] as she has a prospect of service in the families, the settlement is reclaimed until that service is performed.

The meeting then adjourned.

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of

Women Friends held 11th Month 27th 1884

The friends appointed representatives to the Quarterly Meeting, reported they attended except one.

Those appointed Caretakers to the Quarterly Meeting reported they attended.

The friends appointed at last meeting to treat with Sarah M. Hadley and Ruth Coffin reported they visited them but they did not seem in disposition of mind to make satisfactory. After a time of consideration the meeting united in proceeding to testify against them. Which meeting concurring with our decision, Lydia Bales, Hannah H. Furnas were appointed to inform them the decision of the meeting and prepare testifications and produce them to next meeting.

The committee appointed in 9th Month to assist the clerk in revising and recording the minutes of the meeting, reported the service performed.

Epistles from Iowa and Kansas Yearly Meetings of Women Friends were read in this meeting, the contents of which were satisfactory and edifying to the meeting

Mens meeting informed that David Hadley has manifested a spirit of disunity towards the religious Society of Friends and neglected the attendance of our religious meetings, and been holding and taking an active part in meetings held subversive of the now established good order of the same, And officiated in marriages accomplished contrary to the order of the society by administering the marriage ceremony, Also Addison Iffin has manifested a spirit of disunity towards the religious Society of Friends by neglecting the attendance of our religious meetings, and taken part in meetings held subversive of the now established good order of the same, And that they have extended care and come to the judgement to proceed to testify against them; this meeting concurred with the decision of mens meeting.

The Educational Committee of Western Yearly Meeting of Friends produced the following Address, which was satisfactory to the meeting, and friends were encouraged to endeavor to carry out the advice therein contained as far as practicable.

To Quarterly and Monthly meetings

Committees on Education and to Friends individually.

Dear Friends

We have been deeply impressed into a deep feeling and exercise of spirit for the welfare of the rising generation and the prosperity of Truth as held by our religious Society and believing that those important results depend much upon the guarded religious education of our children at home and in school we therefore desire the encouragement of Quarterly and Monthly Meetings Committees, parents and guardians of children to consider seriously the importance of the subject, and the responsibility that rests upon each department, individually in carrying on this much needed work, that those committees may work together in harmony with the parents to guard the children against the many hurtful and dangerous influences which surround them, evincing to them at all times by example and precept the necessity of denying ourselves, taking up the cross, and following Christ, if we expect to be his disciples. We feel deeply for the parents and children knowing well the many temptations, trials and discouragements as well as sacrifices, which all have to make, if we walk in the strait and narrow way which alone leads to life and peace. May we be willing

to make the necessary sacrifice in time,

means and feeling that thereby we may be instrumental in our children obtaining the crown immortal when done with time here below, for this is surely incomparable of more value to them than all the riches honors and pleasures of this transitory world which soon passeth away.

We desire that the Monthly Meetings committees be diligent in the discharge of every duty devolved upon them, and that they report to the Quarterly meetings committees each three months the condition of Education in their limits, and that the Quarterly meetings committee report to the Yearly Meeting's Committee quarterly which meets on seventh day morning at ten o'clock at the time and place of the Fifth Month Quarterly Meeting.

Extracted from the minutes of the Committee on Education of Western Yearly Meeting of Friends held at Sugar Grove 11th Month 6th 1880.

Temple Newlin clerk.

The meeting then adjourned

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of

Women Friends held 12th month 25th 1880.

The committee appointed at last meeting to inform Sarah M. Hadley and Ruth Coffin the decision of the meeting and prepare testifications reported that they had attended to the appointment and produced the following testifications, which were approved and signed on behalf of the meeting. Emily L. Osborn and M. Mary Ellen Carter were appointed to offer each a copy of the testification issued against her and report to next meeting.

Testimonial of disownment.

Sarah M. Hadley who has had a right of membership in the society of Friends has manifested a spirit of disunity toward the religious Society of Friends by neglecting the attendance of our religious meetings and been active in the production of meetings held subversive of the long established good order of the same for which she has been treated with without the desired effect. We therefore testify that she is no longer a member of our Religious Society.

Signed in and by direction of Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Friends held the 25 day of 12th month 1880.

Allen Jenkins Clerk
Mary E. Osborn

Testimonial of disownment

Ruth Coffin who has had a right of membership in the Society of Friends has manifested a spirit of Obstinacy toward the Religious Society of Friends by neglecting the Attendance of our religious Meetings and has attended meetings held contrary to the long established good order of the same, for which she has been dealt with without the desired effect — We therefore believe that she is no longer a member of our Religious society.

Signed in and by direction of Mill Creek Mon. this Meeting of Friends held the 25th day of 12th Month 1880.

Allen Furnas

Mary F. Osborne

Clerks.

Above mentioned produced to this meeting Testimonials of Disownment against David Hadley and Addison Coffin, which were approved and signed.

The meeting then adjourned.

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of

Women Friends held 1st Month 29th 1881.

The 1st, 2nd and 8th queries, with Answers to them from the Preparative Meetings, also the following Summary of the Answers were read, and the Summary approved and directed to be forwarded to our ensuing Quarterly Meeting.

Summary Answers

1st Ans. All our meetings for worship and discipline have been attended and by most of our members, yet there is a lack on the part of some in this important duty, some care has been extended, Unbecoming behavior therein avoided, And the hour of meeting observed.

2nd Ans. Most friends are preserved in Christian love one toward another, Tale bearing and detraction are discouraged but not altogether avoided, And when differences have arisen, endeavors have been used to end them, Care has been taken in the above deficiencies.

8th Ans. Friends endeavor to deal with offenders seasonally and impartially and to evince to those who will not be reclaimed the spirit of meekness and love before judgment is placed upon them.

Elizabeth Osborn Emily L. Osborn

Catharine Stanley and Elmira Kersey were appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting of Representatives, and report to next meeting.

Jeremiah H. Symons and Mary Ellen Carter were appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting as Caretakers, and assistin preserving good order therein, and report to next meeting.

The committee appointed at last meeting to offer Sarah H. Hadley and Lydia Coffin each a copy of the testimonial of disownment, reported they had attended to the appointment.

Mill Creek Preparative Meeting of Women Friends informed that Eliza Jane Hodson has neglected the attendance of our religious meetings and given her self and attendance to meetings held contrary to the long established good order of the religious Society of Friends, she therein manifesting disunity with us. Susanna Carter and Catharine Stanley were appointed to treat with her on account thereof, and report to next meeting.

The meeting then concluded.

N. Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of

Women Friends held 2nd Month 26th 1891.

James Maulsby returned the minute granted him in 7th Month last with the information he had visited some meetings for discipline, and appointed some meetings among those not in membership with us. And some in connection with the Yearly Meetings Committee to the peace and comfort of [illegible] expressive of acceptance attended or and produced returning minutes, from [illegible] held Each Monthly Meeting held 11 month 10th 1890. Plainfield Trenton Treasurer held 11 mo 5th 1890. White Dick Quarterly Meeting held 11 mo 13, 1890. All of which was satisfactory to the meeting.

James Maulsby was a minister with whom we have unity expressed in this meeting a concern that had rested with weight on his mind to visit in the love of the Gospel the families of this and Plainfield Monthly Meetings. And to visit some of the meetings of our Yearly Meeting. Also appoint some meetings among those not in membership with us, as Truth opens the way for it. After due deliberation good unity was expressed with his concern and he was encouraged to attend thereto as best wisdom may direct. The clerk was directed to sign a copy of the foregoing minute in behalf of this meeting.

The friends appointed by last meeting to attend the Quarterly Meeting as representatives reported they all attended.

Those appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting as Caretakers, reported they attended.

The friends appointed by last meeting to treat with Eliza Jane Hodson, reported they visited her and that she was not in disposition of mind to make satisfaction. After due consideration the meeting united in proceeding to testify against her. Mens meeting concurring in said decision, Ella Carter and Lydia B Iles were appointed to inform her the decision of the meeting and prepare a testification and produce it to next meeting.

Mens meeting informed that Jeremiah S Hodson has neglected the attendance of our religious meetings, and gives his aid and attendance to meetings held contrary to the long established good order of the religious Society of Friends, thereby manifesting disunity with us. And that they have extended care and come to the judgment to proceed to testify against him, this meeting concurred with the decision of mens meeting.

The Extracts from the minutes and exercises of our late Yearly Meeting, were read in this meeting, which were satisfactory to the meeting. And especially to their request of subordinate meetings, the Preparative Meetings were directed to produce what may be raised to aid the Book and Tract Committee to the meeting in the 4th Month. And what may be contributed to increase the Yearly Meeting Stock in the 7th Month next.

The clerk was directed to furnish the Preparative Meetings with a copy of this minute signed on behalf of the meeting.

The meeting then concluded.

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 5th Month 26th 1851.

The committee appointed at last meeting to inform Eliza Jane Hodson the decision of the meeting and prepare a testimonial of disownment, Reported they had attended to the appointment, and produced the following testimonial of disownment, which was approved and signed on behalf of this and men's meeting, Lydia Osborn and Mary Ellen Carter were appointed to offer her a copy thereof, and report to next meeting.

Testimonial of disownment

Elisa Jane Hodson who has had a right of membership in the Society of Friends, has neglected the attendance of our religious meetings and given her aid and attendance to meetings held contrary to the long established good order of the religious Society of Friends, she thereby manifesting disunity with us, for which she has been treated with without the desired effect — We, therefore testify that she is no longer a member of our religious society.

Signed in and in behalf of Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Friends held 5th Month 26th 1881.

Allen Furnas
Mary Ann Osborn Clerks

Mens meeting produced to this a testimonial of disownment against Jeremiah L. Hodson, which was approved and signed.

The meeting then concluded.

Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 4th Month 30th 1881

The 1st 2nd and 8th queries, with Answers to them from the Preparative Meeting, also the following Summary of the answers were read, and the summary approved and directed to be forwarded to our ensuing Quarterly Meeting

Summary

1st Ans. All our meetings for worship and discipline have been attended except one meeting for worship on account of sickness, and generally by most of our members, yet there is a manifest lack on the part of some in this important duty, Care has been taken, Friends avoid unbecoming behavior therein, And the hour of meeting nearly observed,

2nd Ans. We believe most friends are preserved in Christian love one toward another Tale-bearing and detraction are discouraged but not entirely avoided, And when differences have arisen, endeavors have been used to end them, care has been taken in the afore deficiencies,

8th Ans Care is taken to deal with offenders as queried after,

Susanna Carter, Lydia Bales, Mary M.

Frazer and Elmina Kersey were appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting as representatives, and report to next meeting.

Jane W. Shaw and Catharine Stanley were appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting as Care-takers, assist in promoting good order therein, and report to next meeting.

The committee appointed at said meeting to offer Elija Jane Hodson a copy of the testimonial of disownment, reported they had attended to the appointment.

Agreeably to the direction of the Monthly Meeting in 2nd Month last, the Preparative Meetings have produced $3,20. which was placed in the case of the Book and Tract Committee.

A minute of sojourning right of membership was received for Elwood Carter, a minister and Maria, his wife from Westfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held 5th Month 31st 1881.

Our esteemed friend Job Smith, a minister of the gospel, attended this meeting, with a minute of unity and concurrence from Salem Monthly Meeting of Friends, Henry County Iowa dated 2nd Month 5th 1831, Endorsed by Salem Quarterly Meeting held by adjournment 2nd Month 25th 1831, His company and religious service, has been satisfactory and edifying.

The clerk was directed to sign a returning minute on behalf of the meeting relative to the acceptable attendance of the aforesaid friend.

The meeting then adjourned.

Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 5 month 28th 1831,

Edwood Carter a minister of the Gospel with whom we have unity expressed in this meeting that a concern had rested on his mind for a length of time to visit some of the meetings belonging to Plainfield Quarterly Meeting. And appoint some meetings among those not in membership with Friends as Truth opens the way for it. Also visit some members advanced in life. After a time of deliberation on the subject, unity was expressed with him in the

concern, and he encouraged to attend thereto as best Wisdom may direct.

The clerk was directed to sign a copy of the foregoing minute on behalf of the meeting.

The friends appointed representatives by last meeting to the Quarterly Meeting Reported they all attended.

Those appointed Caretakers to the Quarterly Meeting, Reported one of them attended.

Our esteemed friend Ruth Stanton acceptably attended our Monthly Meeting in the 2nd Month last, with a remark of unity and concurrence from West Nimon Monthly Meeting of Friends held 9th of 2nd Month 1826. And since which time she has visited us in our families to good satisfaction And is now in a state of sickness.

Job Smith, a Minister, who attended our last Month's Meeting, has since visited most of the families of Mill Creek Preparative Meeting, which Labor to those visited was satisfactory and edifying.

The clerk was directed to sign returning minutes on behalf of the meeting relative to the acceptable Labors of the aforesaid friends.

The meeting then adjourned.

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of

Women Friends held 6th Month 25th 1881.

The committee having care of those in indigent circumstances within the limits of the Monthly Meeting produced the following satisfactory report. The committe was continued to the service and directed to report in 6th Mo next year.

Report

To the Monthly Meeting.

We, the committee appointed on the subject of the Poor within our limits have given attention thereto, and rendered such aid and assistance as we thought necessary.

On behalf of the committee

6th Mo 25th 1881. Jonathan Neuman clerk

The following named friends were appointed to unite with a similar committee of mens meeting to confer together and propose to next meeting the names of Friends to constitute committees on Education and First-day School instruction viz Hannah Jane Hoopes Lydia Bales, Ruth Heacock, Jane W. Shaw.

The Book and Tract committee made

the following report, which was satisfactory to the meeting, the committee was continued to the service and directed to report in 6th Month next.

Report of the Book and Tract Committee to the Monthly meeting

We have still been giving some attention to the object of our appointment.

Have raised through the aid of Women Friends since our last report $3.45 to aid the Central Book and Tract Committee in procuring Books and Tracts.

Have received three pounds or about eighteen hundred pages of Tracts, which have been distributed among Friends and others with some juvenile Tracts and pamphlets. Also some books — a part of which have been placed in the Library for the use of the Monthly Meeting and a part are held by James Terry to loan, sell and give away as in his judgment may best serve the cause. The last mentioned Books were obtained through the Obadiah Brown Benevolent fund.

By examination we find the Books in the different Libraries in pretty fair condition. The Libraries at the County jail and Asylum for the poor of about 85 volumes

each are reported by the managers as being pretty well read; the other Libraries in the Monthly Meeting of a little over a hundred volums, report 52 Volums.

We feel to encourage Friends to avail themselves of the opportunities through our Library to become better acquainted with the history of our Society, it's doctrines and practices.

On behalf of the Committee
6th Month 25th 1881. Joel W. Hodson clerk

The meeting having dispossed of the busines that came before it, then concluded.

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 7th Month 3d 1881.

James Mauleby returned the minute granted him in 2nd Month last with the information he had attended to all that seemed required of him, had visited between 80 and 85 families in this and Plainfield Monthly Meetings, and felt much encouraged whilst engaged in the work. And attended some meetings - All to the peace and comfort of his mind. And he produced returning minutes expressive of acceptable attendance from Plainfield Monthly Meeting

of Friends held 8th Month 30 1881. White

Creek Quarterly Meeting, held 5 month 4 1881,
White River Monthly Meeting held 1st Month 6th 1881,
All of which was satisfactory to the meeting.

The Queries with Answers to them from the Preparative meetings, also the following Summary of the Answers were read, and the summary approved and directed to be forwarded to our coming Quarterly Meeting,

Summary Answers

1st Ans. All our meetings for worship and discipline have been attended, except one not attended on account of sickness, and by most of our members yet some are remiss in that important duty, Care has been taken, Friends avoid unbecoming behaviour therein, And the hour of meeting observed,

2nd Ans. We belive most friends are preserved in a pretty good degree of christian love one toward another, Tale bearing and detraction are discouraged but not altogether avoided, And when differences arise endeavors are used to end them, Care has been taken in the above difinencies,

3rd Ans. We belive Friends endeavor to train up their children and those of other friends under their care in our christian principles, and in plainness and simplicity of dress, language

and department which they enjoin, they

guard them against reading pernicious books, and from corrupt conversation, and they are encouraged to read the holy scriptures diligently yet more care and faithfulness in these respects are desirable

4th Ans. Friends are clear in a pretty good degree under the several heads of this query.

5th Ans. The necessities of the poor have been inspected and the necessary assistance rendered. No children amongst us coming under the head of this query.

6th Ans. Friends maintain a testimony against Priests and ministers wages, Against Slavery oaths bearing arms and all military services, trading in Goods taken in war and against lotteries.

7th Ans. We beleive friends are careful in the several requisitions of this query.

8th Ans. Care is taken to deal with offenders seasonably and impartially and to endeavor to evince to those who will not be reclaimed the spirit of meekness and love before judgment is placed upon them.

Annual Answers

1st Ans. No meeting settled the past year.

2nd Ans. Schools are encouraged under the tuition of teachers in membership with us, and each parent of Friends is furnished with a copy of the Sabbath Scriptures.

3rd Ans. The Queries addressed to the Quarterly, Monthly, and Preparative Meetings have been read and answered therein as directed.

The Advices were read in this meeting and solemnly considered.

Miriam C. Bodine, Nancy, Minerva Kendall, Mary W. Carter and Martha H. Carter, were appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting as representatives, and report to next meeting.

Emily L. Osborn and Lavina Stanley were appointed Caretakers to attend the Quarterly Meeting, and assist in promoting good order therein, and report to next meeting.

Agreeably to the direction of the Yearly Meeting $8.20 was raised for the use of the Book and Tract Committee, and placed in the hands of the Treasurer of said committee. And $2.25 for Yearly Meeting Stock which was placed in the care of the Representatives to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting.

The committee on First-day Scripture School instruction produced the following satisfactory report.

Report — To the Monthly Meeting

The Committee having charge of First-day Scripture Schools, have given some attention to the object of their appointment. One school has been kept up since our last report with an average attendance of 22. And one school has been in session 5 months with an average of about 15 — General average 18+.

Whole number in attendance 68

Heads of families 29

We have not held regular meetings of the Committee the past year.

On behalf of the committee,

7th Month 30th 1881. James Kersey jr Clerk.

The Committee on Education produced

the following report, which was satisfactory to the meeting.

Report

To the Monthly Meeting

We the committee on Education have endeavored to attend to attend to the object of our appointment, and the state of Education and schools amongst us is about as follows. There are in our limits 49 children between the age of 6 and 21 years 16 of those have attended school under our care. We have had one school under our care taught by Sarah C. Hallock a friend for a term of 3 Months said school was conducted and progressed to good satisfaction.

Number of children enrolled 22

Average daily attendance 18½

Spelling, Reading, Writing, Geography, Arithmetic and English Grammar. Some instruction was given in Astronomy and Botany. The Holy Scriptures were used as a class book. And a portion read daily to the school in a collective capacity, preceded and followed by a pause. And the scholars similarly attended mid-week meeting in company with their teacher. No children growing up without literary instruction. Taken from the minutes of Mill Creek Monthly Meeting's Committee on Education held 7th mo. 30th 1881.

William C. Stanley Clerk

The friends appointed by last meeting to produce to this the names of friends to constitute Committee on Education and First-day Scripture School instruction, produced the following report which being united with by the meeting, the persons Friends therein named were appointed except Ella Carter, Sarah Malinda Fraizer and Mary M. Fraizer on the First-day Scripture School Committee not being present their appointment was referred to next meeting. Said Committees were directed to report on the 4th Month next year.

Report

The committee appointed at last meeting to produce names of Friends to constitute a committee on Education and on First-day Scripture School instruction, are united in offering the following viz.

On Education

Enos Osborn	Harriet S. Stanley
Allen Furnas	Hannah A. Furnas
John A. Bodenhamer	Miriam O. Bodenhamer
William C. Stanley	Mary Ann Osborn
Elcazar B. Carter	Mary Ellen Carter
James Hervey jr	Emily L. Osborn
Alpheus Osborn	Elmina Hervey.

Austin Isley Scribner School instructor

Allen Furnas	Jeremiah A. Furnas	
Benjiah H. Carter	Etta Carter	
John J. Bales	Lydia Bales	
Stanford Frazier	S. Melinda Frazier	
James Hersey jr.	Mary A. B. Frazier	
Lieutenant W. Simmons	Cinthia Hersey	
Nathan S. Carter	Martha Ann Carter	
Caleb S. H. Osborn	Hannah B. Osborn	

On behalf of the committee
1st Month 17th 1851, Abel Anthony
Ruth Hadley

The meeting having disposed of the business that came before it, it is concluded.

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends held 8th Month 27th 1851,

The friends appointed Representatives to last meeting to the Quarterly Meeting, reported they all attended, and forwarded the money placed in their care to the Quarterly Meeting.

Those appointed Care takers reported they attended the Quarterly Meeting.

Agreeably to a reference from last meeting

Ella Carter, Sarah Malinda Fraizer and Mary M. Fraizer were appointed members of the committee on First-day Scripture School instruction.

The committee in Burials made the following satisfactory report, The committee was continued and directed to report in 8th month next year.

Report

The committee having care of burial, have endeavored to attend to the appointment and can report those that have occurred among us under our care, have been ordered conducted

On behalf of the committee

Jane Hussey Jr.
South Hadley

8th Month 27th 1881,

The meeting then concluded,

At Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Vienna Friends held 9th Month 24th 1881,

The following named friends were appointed to propose to next meeting the name of a friend for Clerk, and one for Assistant to the meeting the ensuing year viz

Jane M. Shaw, Elvania Cleary,

Emily L. Osborn and Maria Carter,

Phebe K. Newman, Martha J. Carter, Harriet E. Hinkle and Ruth Mendenhall were appointed to assist the clerk in correctly recording the minutes of the meetings the past year and report when they shall have complied with their appointment.

A part of the committee on education by due date to-day. Meeting to be held this evening at 7 o'clock. Those of the committee who attended this meeting, their labors will compare favorably with any satisfactory report offered to us.

The meeting then adjourned.

At Half Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held 10th Month 9th 1884.

Emma J. Andrew, Mary Ann Osborn, Lydia Bales and Maria Carter were appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting as representatives and report to next meeting.

Phebe R. Newman and Jane W. Shaw were

appointed to attend the Quarterly Meetings as Care-takers, to assist in promoting good Order therein, and report to next meeting.

The friends appointed by last sixth mo. to propose the name of a friend for Clerk and for Assistant to the same the ensuing year proposed Mary Ann Osborn for clerk and Harriet A. Stanley for assistant, who being united with were appointed to the service.

The friends appointed by last meeting to assist the clerk in recording and recording the minutes of the meeting the past year, reported the service performed.

Man friends produced a certificate of removal for John A. & Eveline Osborn to Spring River Monthly Meeting of Friends, Cherokee County Kansas, which was read and signed on behalf of the meeting.

Our esteemed friend Ruth Ann Stanton, a minister, attended this meeting with a minute of unity and concurrence from Pleasant Plain Monthly Meeting of Friends dated 10th mo. 16th 1881. Her Company and Gospel labors have been very satisfactory and edifying to us.

Our esteemed friend Eleazar Bales, a minister,
attended this meeting with a minute of unity and
concurrence from Plainfield Monthly Meeting of
Friends, dated 3d Month 25th 1851.
His company and Gospel labors here were
satisfactory and edifying to us.

Our esteemed friend Eli Varney, a minister,
attended this meeting with a minute of unity
and concurrence from Plainfield Monthly Meeting
of Friends, dated 3d Month 25th 1851.
His company and Gospel labors here were
satisfactory and edifying to us.

The Recording Clerk is directed to procure
copies of the above minutes and extracts of
records.

The meeting then adjourned.

At a Preparative Meeting of
Women Friends held 4th Month 26th 1851.

Elwood Carter returned the minute granted
him as 5th Month last with the information
he had attended to what was required of him,
though not as extensive as he felt at times the minute
had visited as he felt impressed there advanced in life,
appointed two meetings among those not in membership
with us, and visited two meetings on the Quarterly
Meeting, and he produced a returning minute

expressive of acceptable attendance
from Plainfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held

9th Month 28th 1881, All to the peace and
comfort of his mind, All of which was satisfac-
tory to the meeting.

The friends appointed by last meeting to
attend the Quarterly Meeting as Representatives
reported they attended.

Those appointed by last meeting to attend
the Quarterly Meeting as Caretakers, Reported they
attended.

Epistles from Iowa and Canada Yearly
Meetings of Women Friends were read in this
meeting, the contents of which were satisfactory
and edifying to the meeting.

The Address from our late Yearly Meeting
of Women Friends, directed to the Quarterly, Monthly
and Preparative meetings and Friends individually
was read in this meeting the contents of which was satisfactory and
edifying to us,

Agreeable to the request of the Yearly Meeting
that Subordinate meetings be liberated to contribute
for the use of the Book and Tract Committee
and forward the money thus raised to the treasurer
of the Central Committee, They were also directed
to raise money to increase the Yearly Meeting
Stock, This meeting directed the Preparative
Meetings to produce what may be raised for

the use of the Book and Tract Committee to the meeting in the first Month next, And what may be contributed to encrease the Yearly Meeting Stock in the 7th Month next,

The Clerk was directed to furnish the Preparative Meetings with a Copy of this minute, signed on behalf of this meeting,

The following Epistle was read,

To the Men & Women Yearly Meeting of Women Friends held at Plainfield in 1831,

An Epistle from Kansas Yearly Meeting of Women Friends was read in this meeting, the contents of which were satisfactory and encouraging to the meeting.

Minutes from Preparative Meetings informed that the members of Poland & Deerfield meeting for worship, request that they may be discontinued, (on account of there being few in number) with which it is generally and this united, and directed the request to be granted to the Quarterly Meeting.

The Clerk was directed to prepare an Extract to be signed on behalf of this meeting to the Quarterly Meeting

The following Extract was received from the Quarterly Meeting.

To Mill Creek Monthly Meeting of Women Friends.

Subordinate meetings were directed to raise money as heretofore for the Book and Tract Committee and placed in hands of that Treasurer of that Committee, and forward an account thereof to next Yearly Meeting. Also raise money for Yearly Meeting stock and forward it to the Yearly Meeting.

Taken from the Minutes of Plainfield Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held 11th mo 4th at Sugar Grove 11th mo 5th 1874.

Eunice H. Palmer Clerk.

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